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SOVIET SAVAGERY CONDEMNED.

Scene in House of Commons.
(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 27.
The death sentences passed on the Russian ecclesiastics occasioned a lively scene in the House of Commons. Replying to a question on the subject, Mr. Ronald McNeill emphasised that the Government did its utmost to save the ecclesiastics, and he could not see that anything more could be done if the Soviet were determined to practise such barbarities (Loud Cheers). The Communist, Mr. Newbold, shouted an incoherent remark, which the House took to be a defence of the Soviet. Mr. Jack Jones angrily shouted that Mr. Newbold ought to be thrown out, and suggested that he should be held as a hostage. This occasioned loud and prolonged cheers. Mr. Newbold declared that no cleric sentenced to death was ever put to death (Laughter).
Mr. Jack Jones: "I will put you to death."
Two members suggested the Government should notify the Soviet that the trade delegation must leave England within twenty-four hours if the executions occurred. The matter was then dropped.
Warsaw, March 27.
Widespread indignation has been aroused by the death sentences passed on the Russian ecclesiastics. The Polish Government has initiated diplomatic action with the object of preventing the executions, which the court ordered to be carried out in three days.

THE RUHR OCCUPATION.

Evacuation Must be Gradual.

Paris, March 27.
M. Poincaré, speaking before the Chamber of Foreign Affairs Committee on the Ruhr Occupation Credits Bill, admitted that the economic results obtained from the viewpoint of the fulfilment of pledges were trifling. He said the Reich's bad will had only prolonged the occupation. The French and Belgian Governments fully agreed that evacuation of the occupied territories could only take place gradually, as due payments were made. Essen would only be given up when the total amounts due in respect of reparations were settled.
M. Trocquer stated that 3,500 tons of coal and coke were despatched daily. The amount would shortly be doubled. The appeal for voluntary workers in connection with railway service had yielded excellent results. The Committee voted the credits requested by the Government.

AGRICULTURAL WORKERS ON STRIKE.

London, March 27.
A reduction of their wages to fivepence halfpenny an hour in a fifty-hour week has resulted in a general strike of agricultural workers in Norfolk, threatening to spread to Cambridgeshire. The farmers have declined offers of mediation, and contend that it is impossible to meet the men's demand of a minimum of sixpence an hour and a fifty-hour week. Both sides recently approached the Government to take measures to relieve the agricultural depression. Mr. Bonar Law was unable to promise either protection or subsidies, and was only able to grant credit facilities to a number of farmers paying union rates, including those on the King's estate at Sandringham, but the union ordered no discrimination and a general strike.

ALLIES AGREE ON REPLY TO TURKEY.

London, March 27.
The Allied conference this afternoon examined the report of the expert committee on the financial and economic and other parts of the Turkish counter-proposals, and reached a complete agreement on all points. The draft text of the reply to Ismet Pasha's note of March 8th was passed subject to final approval by the respective Governments. It is hoped that this will be given within forty-eight hours, when an identical note will be despatched to Constantinople, for transmission to Ankara by the British, French, Italian and Japanese representatives.

SOCIALISTS AND THE RUHR.

Berlin, March 27.
At the conclusion of a conference between delegates of Allied and German Socialists, a communique has been issued stating that the delegates are unanimously of opinion that the Socialist parties should concentrate in their efforts with a view to ending as quickly as possible the present situation in the Ruhr, and finally solving the reparations question, with due regard to Germany's capacity to pay.

DEATH OF SIR JAMES DEWAR.

London, March 27.
The death has occurred of Sir James Dewar.
[Sir James Dewar, who was knighted in 1904, was born in 1842, and was thus in his eighty-first year. He will always be known as one of the greatest scientists, especially in connection with chemistry, that Britain has produced. He was co-inventor with Sir Frederick Abel of cordite, and introduced the well-known thermos flask.]

TRIBUTE TO A GREAT PERSONAGE.

Paris, March 27.
A stream of friends and admirers, including both distinguished persons and very humble folk, passed all day long through the house where Sarah Bernhardt is lying in state, amidst masses of flowers. The Municipality is defraying the expenses of the funeral, which will take place on Thursday. The ceremony will be a very simple one.

EVENTS IN GERMAN POLITICS.

Berlin, March 27.
The Police have arrested two ex-officers, and Rossbach's secretary, on a charge of complicity in an alleged plot against the German Republic, recently discovered by the police. Rossbach, who is the head of the movement, was arrested a few days ago. The Thuringian Government has declared the extreme Nationalist party illegal.

THE EXCHANGE MARKET.

London, March 27.
In the exchange market French francs are at 70.75, and Belgian at 82.05. Sterling is quoted on New York at 4.68 1/2.

UPROAR IN JAPANESE DIET.

Free Fight Marks Closing Session.

Tokyo, March 27.—The closing of the forty-sixth session of the Imperial Diet came amidst a free fight upon the floor, in which all parties and factions participated. One member of the anti-Government faction was somewhat badly mauled because he attempted a speech from the rostrum impeaching the Premier and Cabinet. He was pulled down, beaten and kicked, whereupon his supporters joined in the fight.
The Speaker ordered a recess, but upon the Diet reassembling the trouble recommenced. Fortunately midnight struck, the Speaker's gavel fell and at last the session was ended.—Reuter.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL.

Shorthand Successes.

The results of the examination in Pitman's shorthand held in December at St. Mary's School, Kowloon, have arrived from England and are as follows:—
Elementary Certificate.—Misses Aleitha, A. Hirst, Edith Dixon, Betty Davidson, Dorothy M. Lyon, Edith Wing, Elsie Eileen Leonard, Mercedes Wing, Rosario, Helena Jorge, Hortencia Jorge, Florence Neave and Maud White.
Theory Certificate.—Misses Helen Harrison, Eileen Ellis, Caroline Tennyson, Dorothy Goodman, Greta I. Mooney, Marjorie White, Maria Prata, Maria Rosario and Marjorie Mason.
60 words a minute certificate.—Misses Eileen E. Arie, Marjorie White, Annie Nunes, Marie Rosario, Parris Rutledge, Lyce Oliveira, Laura Gomes, Avelina Souza and Caroline Tennyson.
80 words a minute certificate.—Miss Greta I. Mooney.
100 words a minute certificate.—Misses Rita Xavier, Violet Van Langenberg, Aurea Baptista, Idalia M. da Luz and Lena Choa.
The students were instructed by Mr. T. F. O'Sullivan, F.I.P.S., P.C.T.

REFINERY FITTERS' STRIKE.

Settlement Terms to be Signed To-day.

A ten cent-per day general flat increase, which would bring them on level terms with the workmen employed in other establishments who have been recently given a rise in pay, was claimed by the fitters of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery, who, contrary to expectations, did not return to work this morning but protracted the negotiations. Their two representatives met the employers this morning, at a meeting, at which, we are informed by the Chinese Mechanics Institute, it was agreed that the conditions be signed to-day. It appears that the rate of increase, which caused some difficulty at first, had been reduced to a ten cent increase per day, or three dollars per month, for all fitters. It is claimed by the workmen that the increase they expect to obtain as the result of the settlement falls considerably short of other cases, in respect of which the recent grant by the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Company is cited as an illustration.
With the signing of the agreement giving effect to this settlement, it is expected that the fitters, who number about a hundred, will resume work to-morrow.

UNREST NEAR MACAO.

Troops After Gambling Revenue.

A report from Macao states that Ngai Tib-ming's detachment stationed at Chinshan has retreated to an unknown destination, whilst Li On-bong's troops, which were under the control of Chu Chuek-man at Wanchai, opposite Macao, have entered Chinshan and taken over the garrison.
It is stated that the fantan gambling revenue, amounting to \$1,500 daily, in the Heungshan district, is the main factor in causing Chu's forces in Kowloon to clear out Ngai's troops.

NEW LIQUOR RULING.

New York, March 27.
The Port Surveyor has ordered that henceforth every bottle of liquor brought into the country by steamship passengers shall be seized and a fine of five dollars per bottle be imposed on the owner, unless the passengers prove the liquor is needed medicinally, when an amount not exceeding a quart will be allowed.

SECRET GERMAN CUSTOMS BUREAU.

Duesseldorf, March 27.
The French have discovered a secret German customs bureau in a private house in the busiest street. They have arrested twenty-five officials found there, also a number of German shopkeepers who had come to pay taxes to the Germans instead of to the French.

U-BOAT COMMANDER ARRESTED.

Berlin, March 27.
It is reported from Lippstadt that the French have arrested Captain Steinbrink, a U-boat commander, who figures in the list of war criminals on account of the sinking of the steamer Sussex in 1916.

INTER-VARSITY GOLF CONTESTS.

London, March 27.
At Rye, in glorious weather, the Inter-Varsity golf matches began to-day. In the foursomes Oxford beat Cambridge by 3 to 2 matches. The singles will be played to-morrow.

A POPULAR ISSUE.

London, March 27.
Allotments of the new Treasury Bonds are as follows:—Large applicants receive only thirty per cent. Dealings are up to five-eighths per cent. premium.

THE S.S. GLENBEG REFLOATED.

Copenhagen, March 27.
The steamer Glenbeg, which was reported ashore on March 25th, has been refloated, after discharging her cargo into lighters.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

LANDLORD AND TENANT.

Dispute Over Alterations.

An interesting tenancy dispute came before Mr. Justice Gompertz, in the Summary Court, this morning, when a Chinese doctor, named Ho Hin-yuek, the tenant of the first and second floors of 23, Mercer Street, brought an action against his landlord, Ma Kee-sun.
Plaintiff's case was that defendant had disturbed him by making alterations to the premises. He claimed a declaration that he was the tenant and an order that he be allowed to resume full possession of the premises. Plaintiff also claimed damages for breach of covenant.
Mr. F. G. Vaux appeared for plaintiff and the defence was conducted by Mr. M. K. Lo.
Outlining plaintiff's case, Mr. Vaux referred to correspondence that had passed between the parties since Aug. 15th, 1915. On that date plaintiff received a letter from Messrs. Raven and Raven, architects, giving three months' notice, without giving any particulars of alterations. There was a letter from defendant to plaintiff asking him to quit in October, 1921. Then the matter was apparently dropped. In September, 1922, plaintiff received another three months' notice from the architects, stating that the premises were to be reconstructed and a new building was intended. In October, the landlord again wrote to plaintiff and in the same month plaintiff replied to the architects' letter, refusing possession unless an undertaking was made that he would be allowed to re-occupy on the completion of the alterations. This letter was replied to by Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston, refusing the request. In December, the contractor wrote to plaintiff, giving notice of the date when he was going to pull down Plaintiff, however, continued in occupation. On February 26th, the scaffolding was put up and two days later the work of pulling down commenced. On March 1st, plaintiff's solicitors wrote to the architects requesting inspection of the plans and on March 2nd, they wrote to the landlord, threatening proceedings if the tenant were disturbed, the contention being that the alterations did not make a new building under the Ordinance. On February 28th, the tenant left, having locked up and left his furniture inside. He returned on March 3rd, and found the flats open and part of his furniture gone. He slept on the premises on the night of March 3rd-4th, and did not go there again, as the flats were being removed. Mr. Vaux submitted that plaintiff, by leaving his furniture in the flats, was the tenant of the premises.

Mr. Lo's submission was that plaintiff gave up possession of the premises. The point at issue was how much, if any, furniture was left behind. He contended that if the plaintiff had been improperly turned out he was no longer a tenant in occupation and once he was not a tenant in occupation and so long as the landlord had not served a writ for ejectment against him the Rents Ordinance could be "washed out" altogether.
His Honour:—Suppose the tenant is turned out, male fide, then the landlord is liable to a fine of \$1,000 and damages, but can the tenant get back again?
Mr. Lo submitted that he could not, and with this Mr. Vaux agreed.
Mr. Lo quoted from a recent judgment given by Mr. Justice Gompertz in support of his submissions.
The defendant, Ma Kee-sun, was called to give evidence and a man stepped into the box and did so.
Mr. Vaux cross-examined:—What is your name?—Ma Kee-sun.
Are you sure of that?—Yes.
Mr. Vaux continued his cross-examination and later inquired who was Lan Yik-sang.
Witness replied that he was his partner.

HONGKONG & CANTON.

A Shanghai Comment.

Says the Far Eastern Review (Shanghai):—"One of the most significant parts of the speech of the chairman of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation at the ordinary general meeting of its shareholders held in Hongkong on February 24, deals with the popular belief that British interests have steadily opposed the development of Canton as a deep water port. As we have at various times referred to this Chinese view, we take this opportunity of presenting the other side, which effectively clarifies the matter and paves the way for a much better feeling between the Chinese and British, and a coming together on questions which have long irritated the Southern Chinese party."
The journal then quotes Mr. Lang's speech, and continues:—"This is frank, clear and to the point and is so far as The Far Eastern Review has contributed towards creating any misunderstanding of British policy by presenting the Chinese viewpoint, we are now equally glad to correct it. The misconception about British ideas arises solely from the interpretation of the Chinese place on Article 15 of the Canton-Kowloon Railway agreement, which, they assert, prohibits them from constructing a spur from the present railway line to the river opposite Whampoa. The Chinese have inclined to the belief since the survey for the line was completed that it was definitely carried for a spur from the river so that no spur could be built that might enable them to divert freight and traffic to deep water below Canton. There has always been a feeling amongst the Chinese, that any attempt on their part to develop the port of Canton would meet with opposition from British financial interests. This idea, we have reason to believe, originated when Dr. Sun Yat-sen drew up his plans for the improvement of Canton and devoted as much attention to this scheme as he did to his favourite railway plans. We are also convinced that much of the initial British antagonism to Dr. Sun arose from the knowledge that he intended to push forward his scheme for the betterment of Canton, and develop a deep-water port at Whampoa."
The British position now set forth so clearly by the chairman of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation will clear away all misconceptions and disabuse the mind of Dr. Sun Yat-sen of British antagonism to his pet scheme. Once British hostility to Dr. Sun is terminated one of the greatest obstacles to the unification of China will be eliminated. The speech of Mr. Lang will be welcomed in more than one quarter."

The Dairy Farm Company's Easter timetable is given on Page 4.
Mr. Paul Lauder has been appointed acting general manager of several companies during the absence from the Colony of Mr. G. Montague Ede.—Page 4.
Cold storage is recommended as a sure protection for winter fabrics during the summer months.—Page 7.
The Hongkong Hotel's Electrical Dept. lists household and other electrical requisites on Page 4.
At the Coronet Theatre the current attraction is "The Sheikh's Wife."—Page 12.
French couple require bedroom and partial board.—Page 4.
Particulars of forthcoming auction sales appear on page 4.

NO LOANS FOR CANTON.

Advice from Batavia Chinese.

The following telegram reaches us to-day:—
Batavia, March 27.
Hongkong Telegraph, Hongkong.
Please transmit this to Governments of Hongkong and Macao:—Canton being without a Government, no party should be allowed a loan to prolong the struggle.

BATAVIA OVERSEAS CHINESE ANTI-LOAN UNION.

In reply to a further question, witness surprised the Court by saying he was Lau Yik-sang.
Mr. Lo confessed that he did not know who the witness was. He thought he was Ma Kee-sun.
After some further questioning it appeared that witness was really Ma's partner.
The witness then gave his evidence.
Judgment was reserved.

LISTEN.

Advertising is the elevator to prosperity.

A. S. Watson & Co. state holiday hours of business on Page 4.
Justine Johnstone is appearing at the World Theatre in "Shattered Daughters."—Page 12.
Sincere's are showing special lines of silk shirts and neckwear.—Page 3.
The "Virtuous Thief" is the attraction at the Star Theatre.—Page 12.
Consignees are notified of the arrival of the s.s. "Hakozaki Maru."—Page 4.
To-let: Three roomed furnished flat.—Page 4.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 22. 1/18d.

Lighting Up Time.

Lighting Up Time to-day 6.37 p.m.

FOOTBALL COMPETITION.

Those taking part in the above Competition are reminded that to-morrow will be their last opportunity of securing coupons this week, as there will be no issue of the Telegraph on Good Friday.
Entries close at noon on Saturday. Coupon appears on Page 4 of this issue.

FOOTBALL.

Army Team Against South China.

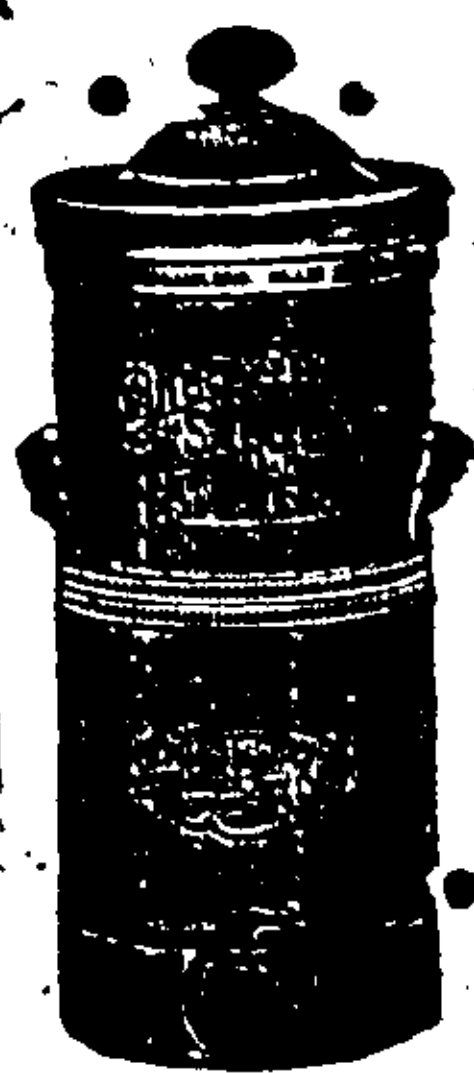
The following have been selected to represent the Army on Easter Monday at Sookunpoo ground, against South China Athletic Association; kick off at 4 p.m.:—
Goal:—Mr. Townsend, R. E. Backs:—L. Cpl. Wynne and Pte. Williams, King's. Half Backs:—Sgt. Newton, King's. Pte. Hodgson, King's, and Pte. Lelliott, R.G.A. Forwards:—Pte. Williams, King's, S. M. S. Souly, R.A.O.C., Lieut. Jones, King's (Captain), Mr. Gur. Castledine, R.A., and Gnr. Cousins, R.G.A. Reserves:—Back:—Gnr. Freeman, R.G.A. Half Back:—Pte. Barlow, King's. Forwards:—L. Cpl. Dyer, King's, and Pte. Green, R.G.A.

JAPANESE SURGEONS TO TOUR U.S.

Baron Yoshihiro Tagaki, chief surgeon of the Tokyo Charity Hospital, will be included in a party of six doctors who will tour the United States and Canada on the invitation of President George Edgar Vincent, of Rockefeller Foundation.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS

INDIAN POLITICS.

Delhi, March 27.

In the Assembly, in the debate preceding the rejection of the Finance Bill, Jinnah said the salt tax would go into every home as a messenger of revolution and force co-operators to admit the shallowness of the reforms, which they had believed gave them real powers.

Sir Montagu Webb contended that the salt tax proposal was financially unnecessary and politically provocative.

Sir Malcolm Hailey replied that the proposal was made in the interests of India alone. The steps taken by the Government under its extraordinary powers were perfectly constitutional. He refused to believe they would mean wrecking the reforms.

The President declined to allow discussion on a motion stating that the Viceroy was wrongly advised in the use of his extraordinary powers, and imploring him to abstain from certifying the Bill.

It is understood that a non-official deputations will wait upon the Viceroy to-morrow.

THE BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

Paris, March 27.

The failure of the Banque Industrielle has again come to the fore, an influential section of the press demanding the trial of M. Andre Berthelot, ex-director of the Banque, in connection with the large sum of money Andre handed to his brother Philippe in 1913. The latter has issued a statement denying that the transaction was in any way bribery, declaring that the payment was a family matter unconnected with the Banque's affairs and was in accordance with a proviso that it should be returned if ever Andre required it. Philippe returned it in 1921 when the Banque was embarrassed and it was then placed unreservedly at the disposal of the Company. Philippe adds that he intervened more often on behalf of the Banque Industrielle than the Banque Industrielle. M. Poincare has declined to reply to questions on the subject in the Chamber, suggesting that the matter be left until the forthcoming debate on the interpellation by (?) Ybarneguy regarding the tardiness of the judicial proceedings respecting the Banque's affairs.

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE.

London, March 27.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Lambert, Mr. Bonar Law said the General Staff, the Air and Naval Staffs participated in the proceedings of the Committee on Imperial Defence concerning the building of a naval base at Singapore, and approved its recommendations. The date of the final recommendation "that the decision of the late Government in favour of a naval base be reaffirmed," was 14th December.

Mr. Lambert asked whether Chinese or white men would be employed.

Mr. Bonar Law: That does not arise.

BRITAIN'S REPARATIONS POLICY.

London, March 27.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Wedgwood Benn moved the suspension of the German Reparations Recovery Act of 1921, on the ground that the amount collected was small and inconvenience was caused to British traders and on account of the situation in the Ruhr.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin replied that there had been remarkably few complaints regarding the working of the Act, which had yielded £7,000,000 since April, and altogether £11,000,000. There had been no sign hitherto of any falling off of trade as a whole with Germany. The motion was rejected by 142 votes to 77.

KOREAN DEVELOPMENT.

New York, March 27.

A banking syndicate headed by the National City Company will offer to-morrow \$19,900,000 six per cent. bonds in the Oriental Development Company, guaranteed by the Japanese Government. The price is 92.

IRISH FREE STATE EXPENDITURE.

Dublin, March 27.

The expenditure of the coming year is estimated at over forty-two millions sterling, including for the Army ten and a half million, being an increase of three millions and ten millions as compensation for damage to property.

WASHINGTON NAVAL PACT.

Washington, March 27.

It is suggested in official quarters that President Harding may institute a series of diplomatic exchanges with Britain and Japan to determine the extent to which the battle fleets allowed under Washington Treaty shall be modernised.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

Some Keen Games.

There were some very keen and interesting games in the tennis tournament on the Hongkong Cricket Club yesterday afternoon. The afternoon's results were as under:

Open champion Singles: S. E.

Green beat Wong Po-keung, 6-1,

9-7, 9-7; O. Rumbold beat E.

Huschebert, 7-5, 5-7, 6-1, 10-6;

Thomas Lay beat F. A. Richmond,

3-6, 6-3, 6-3, 10-8.

Club Championship: G. W.

Sewell beat L. Forster, 2-6, 7-5,

6-1; E. Eveleigh beat E. A.

Dinsdale, 6-4, 6-3, 6-0.

Handicap Singles "A": W. B.

Cornaby (-153) beat D. G. G.

Neish (-151), 6-0, 6-1.

Handicap Singles "B": Hand-

cock (-20) beat W. Woodward

(scr.), 7-5, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles: W. L.

Thomas and A. R. Sutherland

(-30) beat W. J. Corrie and R.

K. Simpson (-152), 6-3, 6-1.

Mixed Doubles: B. M. Smith

and Mrs. Smith (-151) beat H.

S. Bennett and Mrs. Simpson

(-153), 6-1, 7-5; H. Nicholson

and Mrs. Gompertz (-146) beat

C. V. Mark and Mrs. Griffin, 6-1,

6-1; E. Grimble and Mrs. Grimble

(scr.) beat G. E. Ellams and Miss

Ranger (-151), 7-5, 6-1.

BOY'S MYSTERIOUS
DISAPPEARANCE.Alleged Sequel To Game
Of Football.

Evidence was heard at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon in connection with the alleged kidnapping of an eight-year old boy named To Man-shuk, in which three young Chinese are implicated, two brothers Li Chan-wa and Li Chan-tung and Fan Kam-to.

Mr. McCullum prosecuted, and Mr. C. A. S. Russ defended.

It was stated by Kong Kwong-wing, a boy of ten, that on the morning of March 9th, the three defendants appeared in the main street at Mongkong and joined in a game of football in which he and two other boys were participating.

One of his playmates was To Man-shuk, the missing boy. After the game they all accompanied defendants, on the latter's invitation, to a cooked rice stall at the back of Yau-mat Police Station, where they all partook of rice.

Third defendants afterwards gave each of them one cent and then took them to the Kowloon Railway Station with the other two defendants.

After a short time in the railway station witness wanted to return home with his companions. Third defendant, however, detained the kidnapped boy, taking him on his knees and giving him some sweets.

Failing to induce the kidnapped boy to leave the station, witness and the other boy left defendants and returned home. He subsequently reported the matter to the mother of the missing boy.

In reply to the Magistrate Mr. R. E. Lind-sell, Inspector Lan-gan said a report was made to the police by the mother on the 9th of the disappearance of the boy. On the 11th a further report was made by the mother and, acting on her information, a constable was sent with her to arrest the defendants. The first accused was found in a house in Shanghai Street. Second defendant was brought to the Police Station by his father and the third was also produced by a relative.

At the conclusion of the evidence of the other boy the Magistrate remarked that no jury would be expected to convict the defendants on the evidence adduced.

Mr. McCullum admitted that the evidence of the two boys was not very strong, but said he expected additional evidence. Whether it was weighty or otherwise he was unable to say as he had not had an opportunity of going into it, but he would try to call as a witness a man named Wong Chuen who, in the course of a conversation with the defendants on a steam launch, overheard one or two of them say that they had sold the kidnapped boy in the country for \$110.

Wong Chuen had been asked to give evidence, but he refused to come to Court unless he was subpoenaed because he had been intimidated.

In reply to the Magistrate Mr. McCullum said he had traced this man through the person who instructed him.

The case was adjourned for a week to enable Mr. McCullum to call further evidence.

BOXING.

Garrison Tournament
Postponed.

Command Orders notify that the Garrison Boxing Tournament which was to have been held this week is suspended until further notice, owing to the paucity of entries received from units outside the King's Regiment.

ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Queen's College Annual
Meeting.

Some fine races were witnessed at the annual athletic sports of Queen's College held on the College grounds at Causeway Bay yesterday. For over five hours the boys competed with each other for the many handsome prizes provided for a long series of athletic events. Great as the enthusiasm was in the other races it was exceeded in the senior and junior inter-class competitions which involved the honour of the whole classes. The invitation relay race was an exciting event, St. Paul's College winning fairly easily. Another good race was that for past pupils, the school record for which was broken by Lam Yuk-sing, the winner who covered 220 yards in 23 seconds. The senior championship gold medal presented by Sir Robert Ho Tung was won by Mok Tai-cheuk who won most of the leading events but received no reward for some of his successes owing to the limit adopted to ensure even distribution of prizes. The junior champion this year was Leung Po-chuen.

As usual the programme wound up with the presentation of prizes, Mrs. Irving performing the function.

Before the presentation Mr. B. Tanner, the headmaster, mentioned that Mrs. Irving was proceeding Home shortly and took the opportunity of wishing her a pleasant voyage and many years of happiness in England. On behalf of the school Mr. Tanner presented her with a souvenir in the form of a silver bowl.

The following were the results of the principal events:—

The Prize List.

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EVEREST FUNDS
EMBEZZLED.

Accused Sentenced.

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FIRST GYMKHANA

Good Entries.

The following are the entries for the first Gymkhana of the season to be held on Saturday, 7th inst., under the auspices of the Hong Kong Jockey Club:

1st Race.—Half a Mile.
Ding Dong, Cassia River, Dempsey, Palm Leaf, (late Galloway), Flash Tile, The Discard (late Galloway), Dandy, Danmore, Snodgrass, Whistling Rufus, Old Plover, Keynats, Daybird, Renfrew.

Class Handicaps.—3/4 Mile.
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Gymkhana Stakes.
Knockhill Leg, In Spite of Nastaran, Hope Dahlia, Arlington, Orient Dahlia, Oak Leaf (late Sportman Dahlia), Speckled Mouse, Yellow River, Roman Warrior, Bandicoot (late Aviemore), Royal Conqueror (late Pawns), Crusader (late Royal Crusader), Fidalgo (late Satisfaction Dahlia).

Fourth Race.—Polo Scurry.
Winterlight, Bulldog Drummond, Exchange Kileen, Brown paper, Dundoon, Harkaway, Rice Bird, Ginger, Manifesto, Sleepy, The Dublin, Whitechalk, Springer, Devonport, Whistling Rufus, Roman Dusk.

Sixth Race.—One Mile.
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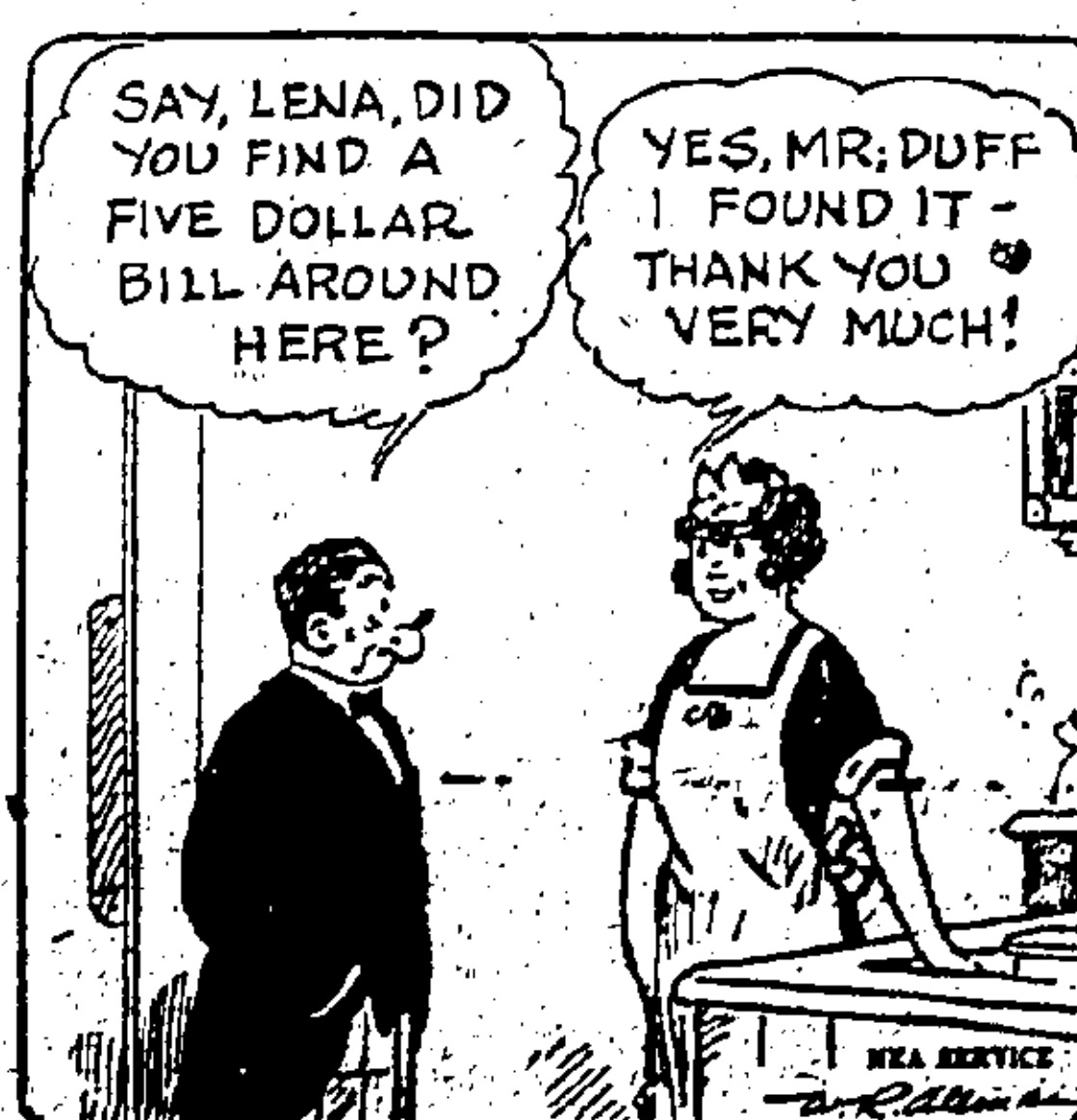
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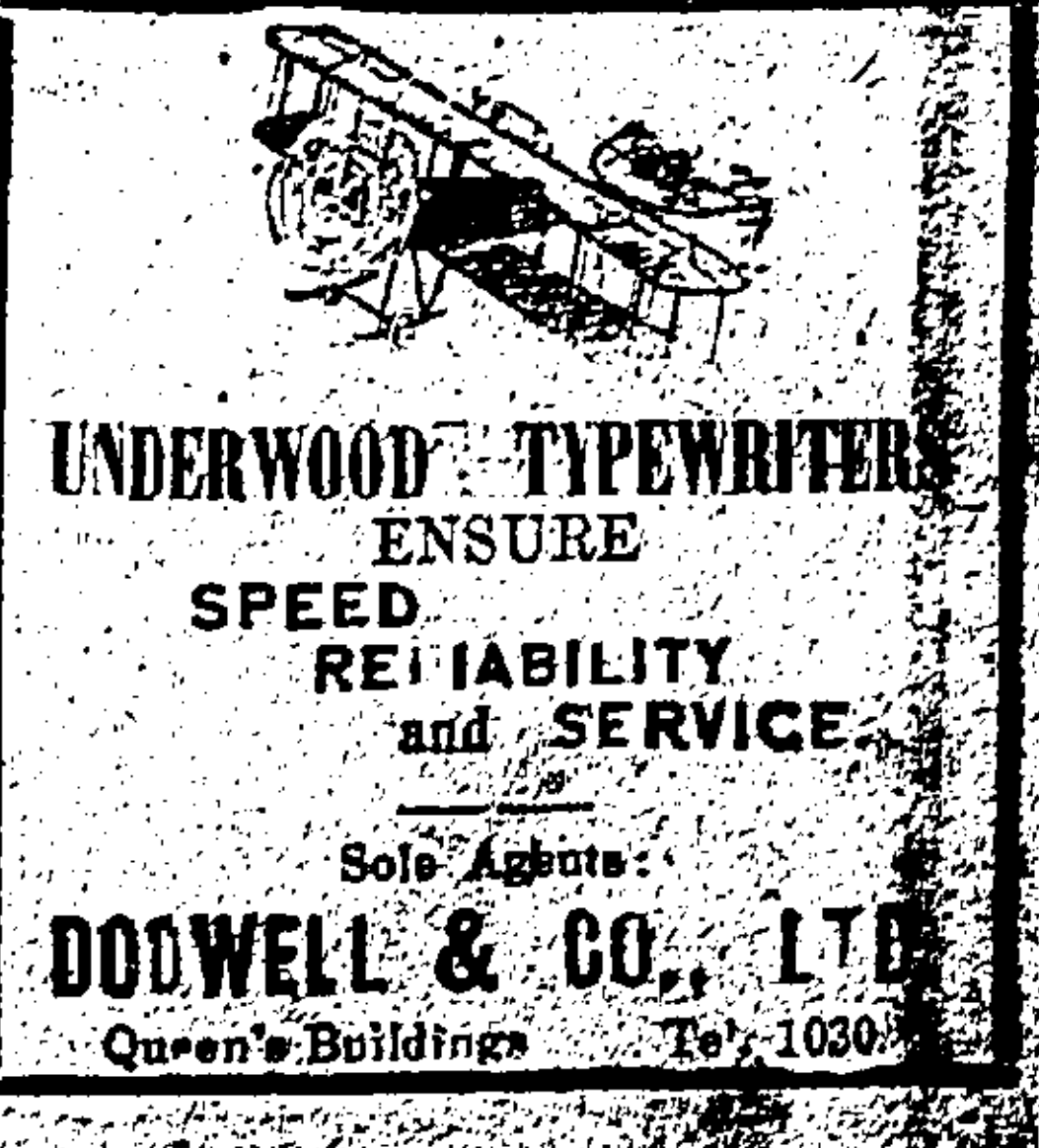


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So, the next time you star gazers—ahem! ahem!—motor past the weather bureau you will know the vigil Father Selga is keeping.—M.D.B.

SANITARY BOARD.

Yesterday's Meeting.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon. Mr. G. L. Sayer presided and other members present were the Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Dr. Ozorio, Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin and Dr. W. W. Pearse (Medical Officer), with the Secretary (Mr. J. A. Fraser).

The Chairman, in accordance with notice given, moved that certain by-laws relating to the importation, inspection, segregation, observation and slaughtering of animals, which he explained at a previous meeting, be approved, subject to the necessary amendment of Section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance being passed by the Legislative Council, and that the Board forward the draft to the Government and draw its attention to the Crown Solicitor's opinion on the need for such amendment of the Ordinance. The chairman mentioned that the draft had been circulated to members, who had approved the proposals.

Dr. Ozorio seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

The Chairman reported that members had notified their approval of Rural Inspector Mac-Walter being authorised to enter premises and inspect and seize unwholesome food in accordance with section 83 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance of 1903.

In regard to an item on the agenda relating to the modification of offensive trade areas in Kowloon, the Chairman said that members had agreed to the proposals.

SOVIET GRAIN CONTROVERSY.

Russian's Bulging Corn-Bins.

The Union of Railway Workers of Soviet Russia has informed the Red Trade Union Council in Moscow that numerous branches of the Railway Union all over Russia have passed resolutions declaring their intention of proclaiming a general railway strike if the Soviet Government does not immediately cease the export of grain to foreign countries while large areas in Russia are once again literally starving. Similar declarations have been received by the All-Russian Trade Union Central Committee from the workers and miners of the Don Basin, from the Ukrainian Union of Metal Workers, and Commercial Maritime Transport Workers.

Evidently influenced by these threats, the Commissary of Food, Bukhanoff, has declared that as the real amount of beet tax in kind collected from the peasants is 30 per cent. less than the amount calculated by the State Statistical Department the export of grain to foreign countries will be stopped.

BID FOR CAPITAL.

A message received in Soviet official circles in London states that, according to the semi-official agency "Rosta," three concessionary agreements have recently been signed by the Soviet authorities in Moscow. The American firm of "Sinclair," it is stated, is to receive a concession for the exploitation of oil, natural gas, and bitumen in Saghalien for a term of thirty-six years. The territory of the concession covers 1,000 square versts. The company has the right, in agreement with the Russian Government, to construct two ports in Russian Saghalien. These ports will belong to and be controlled by the Government. The company, it is said, undertakes to pay the Russian Government 5 per cent. of the price of all products sold.

The second concessionary agreement, it is said, is with an American agricultural colony in California for a grant of one thousand desiatines in the Don region for a term of twenty-four years, as an agricultural concession. The third agreement is with the Jewish colonisation society "Echo," which agrees to revive the industries of the Jewish population, to build a number of technical and agricultural schools, and to supply the Jewish land colonies with machinery and raw materials. "Echo" undertakes to supply not less than three million francs in the first year.

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So, the next time you star gaze—a-hem! a-hem!—motor just the weather bureau you will know the vigil Father Selga is keeping.—M.D.B.

SANITARY BOARD.

Yesterday's Meeting.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon. Mr. G. R. Sayer presided and other members present were the Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, Hon. Mr. E. B. Hallifax, Dr. Ozorio, Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin and Dr. W. W. Pearce (Medical Officer), with the Secretary (Mr. J. A. Fraser).

The Chairman, in accordance with notice given, moved that certain by-laws relating to the importation, inspection, segregation, observation and slaughtering of animals, which he explained at a previous meeting, be approved, subject to the necessary amendment of Section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance being passed by the Legislative Council, and that the Board forward the draft to the Government and draw its attention to the Crown Solicitor's opinion on the need for such amendment of the Ordinance. The chairman mentioned that the draft had been circulated to members, who had approved the proposals.

Dr. Ozorio seconded the motion, which was unanimously carried.

The Chairman reported that members had notified their approval of Rural Inspector Mac-Walter being authorised to enter premises and inspect and seize unwholesome food in accordance with section 83 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance of 1903.

In regard to an item on the agenda relating to the modification of offensive trade areas in Kowloon, the Chairman said that members had agreed to the proposals.

SOVIET GRAIN CONTROVERSY.

Russian's Bulging Corn-Bins.

The Union of Railway Workers of Soviet Russia has informed the Red Trade Union Council in Moscow that numerous branches of the Railway Union all over Russia have passed resolutions declaring their intention of proclaiming a general railway strike if the Soviet Government does not immediately cease the export of grain to foreign countries while large areas in Russia are once again literally starving. Similar declarations have been received by the All-Russian Trade Union Central Committee from the workers and miners of the Don Basin, from the Ukrainian Union of Metal Workers, and Commercial Maritime Transport Workers.

Evidently influenced by these threats, the Commissary of Food, Bukhanoff, has declared that as the real amount of beet tax in kind collected from the peasants is 30 per cent. less than the amount calculated by the State Statistical Department the export of grain to foreign countries will be stopped.

BID FOR CAPITAL.

A message received in Soviet official circles in London states that, according to the semi-official agency "Rosta," three concessionary agreements have recently been signed by the Soviet authorities in Moscow. The American firm of "Sinclair," it is stated, is to receive a concession for the exploitation of oil, natural gas, and bitumen in Saghalien for a term of thirty-six years. The territory of the concession covers 1,000 square versts. The company has the right, in agreement with the Russian Government, to construct two ports in Russian Saghalien. These ports will belong to and be controlled by the Government. The company, it is said, undertakes to pay the Russian Government 5 per cent. of the price of all products sold.

The second concessionary agreement, it is said, is with an American agricultural colony in California for a grant of one thousand and six hundred acres in the Don region for a term of twenty-four years, as an agricultural concession. The third agreement is with the Jewish colonisation society "Ebohe," which agrees to revive the industries of the Jewish population, to build a number of technical and agricultural schools, and to supply the Jewish land colonies with machinery and raw materials. "Ebohe" undertakes to supply not less than three million francs in the first year.

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DIRECTORS.

JOHN SCOTT HARSTON, 1, Des Vœux Road Central, Hongkong, Solicitor and Notary Public.

Hon. Mr. CHOW SUOT SON, Bank of East Asia, Ltd., Des Vœux Road Central, Hongkong, Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council.

JAMES HARPER TAGGART, Managing Director, Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., Powell's Building, Hongkong.

The Very Rev. Father LEON ROBERT, Procureur General des Missions Etrangères, 1, Battery Path, Hongkong.

ARTHUR RYLANDS LOWE, 3, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, Chartered Accountant.

FRANK MALCOLM LANE CRAWFORD, Managing Director, Lane Crawford, Ltd., Chater Road, Hongkong.

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PROSPECTUS.

(a) This Company has been formed principally to acquire by purchase (under the terms of the Option and subsequent correspondence thereon hereinafter mentioned) from Lane Crawford Limited (whose Registered Office is situate at Ice House Street, Victoria, Hongkong) and develop by building thereon the land registered in the Land Office as Section A of Marine Lot No. 7 and commonly known as "The Wiseman Site" situate in Des Vœux Road Central Hongkong. The purchase price of the land is \$1,000,000, \$300,000 of which will be satisfied by the issue to Lane Crawford Limited of 30,000 shares of the Company credited as fully paid up. Of the remainder of the purchase price, \$148,781.50 will be paid in cash, and the balance of \$551,218.50 will be satisfied by the taking over by the Company from Lane Crawford Limited of the Mortgage (repayable on the 30th April, 1927) for that amount now subsisting on the property in favour of Lane Crawford Limited and carrying interest at 8% per annum.

In addition to the purchase price payable as above, the Company will, under the Option hereinafter mentioned, pay the brokerage of one per cent. on the purchase price amounting to \$10,000 which is referred to in paragraph (b) hereof, and also indemnify Lane Crawford Limited to the extent of \$26,394.30 in respect of the Plans and Specifications referred to in paragraph (c) hereof.

The Option for the acquisition of such land bears date the 5th day of March 1923 and is made between Lane Crawford Limited as Vendors of the one part and Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, one of the partners in the firm of Deacon, Harston and Shenton the above mentioned Solicitors to the Company, as Trustee for the Company of the other part. A copy of this Option and the subsequent correspondence thereon can be inspected at the offices of the said Solicitors to the Company (No. 1 Des Vœux Road Central, Hongkong) at any time during business hours. A copy of the Mortgage above referred to which bears date the 5th day of May 1922, and is for a term of Five years from that date can also be inspected at the same place and time.

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(c) Under the last mentioned Option the Company are to be under the obligation of indemnifying Lane Crawford Limited to an extent not exceeding \$26,394.30 in respect of the cost of certain Plans and Specifications prepared in 1922 in connection with the building which Lane Crawford Limited at the time proposed to erect on the said land.

(d) No other commission or promotion money will be paid by the Company.

(e) The Company is to pay all preliminary expenses of and incident to the formation and floating of the Company down to the time when it becomes entitled to commence business and also all costs and expenses in connection with the acquisition of the land and the Assignment thereof to the Company, the estimated amount whereof is \$20,000.

(f) The minimum subscription on which the Directors may proceed to allotment is seven shares.

(g) The Articles of Association provide that the qualification of a Director is to be the holding of 1,000 shares in the Company and that the remuneration of each of the Directors is to be \$1,000 per annum.

(h) Directors are interested in the promotion of the Company as follows:—

(1) As to Mr. Harston in respect of the brokerage mentioned in clause (b).

(2) As to Messrs. Taggart, Lowe, Crawford and Harston to the extent that they are Directors of Lane Crawford Limited who are the Vendors of the land to be acquired by the Company.

(3) As to Messrs. Taggart, Lowe and Harston to the extent that they are Directors in the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited who are Shareholders in Lane Crawford Limited.

(4) As to the Rev. Father Robert to the extent that he is a Director of the Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Company Limited who are Shareholders in Lane Crawford Limited, the Vendors aforesaid.

(5) As to all the Directors other than The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou Son, Fung Tat Hang and Peter Kingson Kwok that they or some of them are Directors of other Companies with whom the Company may do business.

(i) Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company can be inspected at the aforementioned offices of the Solicitors to the Company at any time during business hours.

(j) A copy of the Company's Memorandum of Association is annexed to the Prospectus and forms part of it.

(k) Application for shares should be made upon the Form attached to the Prospectus, which should be detached therefrom and sent to the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) together with a remittance of \$2.50 per share, the amount of the deposit.

Where no allotment is made, the deposit will be returned in full, and where the number of shares allotted is less than the number applied for, a proportionate amount of the deposit will be returned.

(l) Prospectuses can be inspected at and Forms of Application obtained from the Company's Bankers (The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) and at and from the temporary offices of the Company in Powell's Building, (second floor), Des Vœux Road Central, Hongkong. Dated the 23rd day of March 1923.

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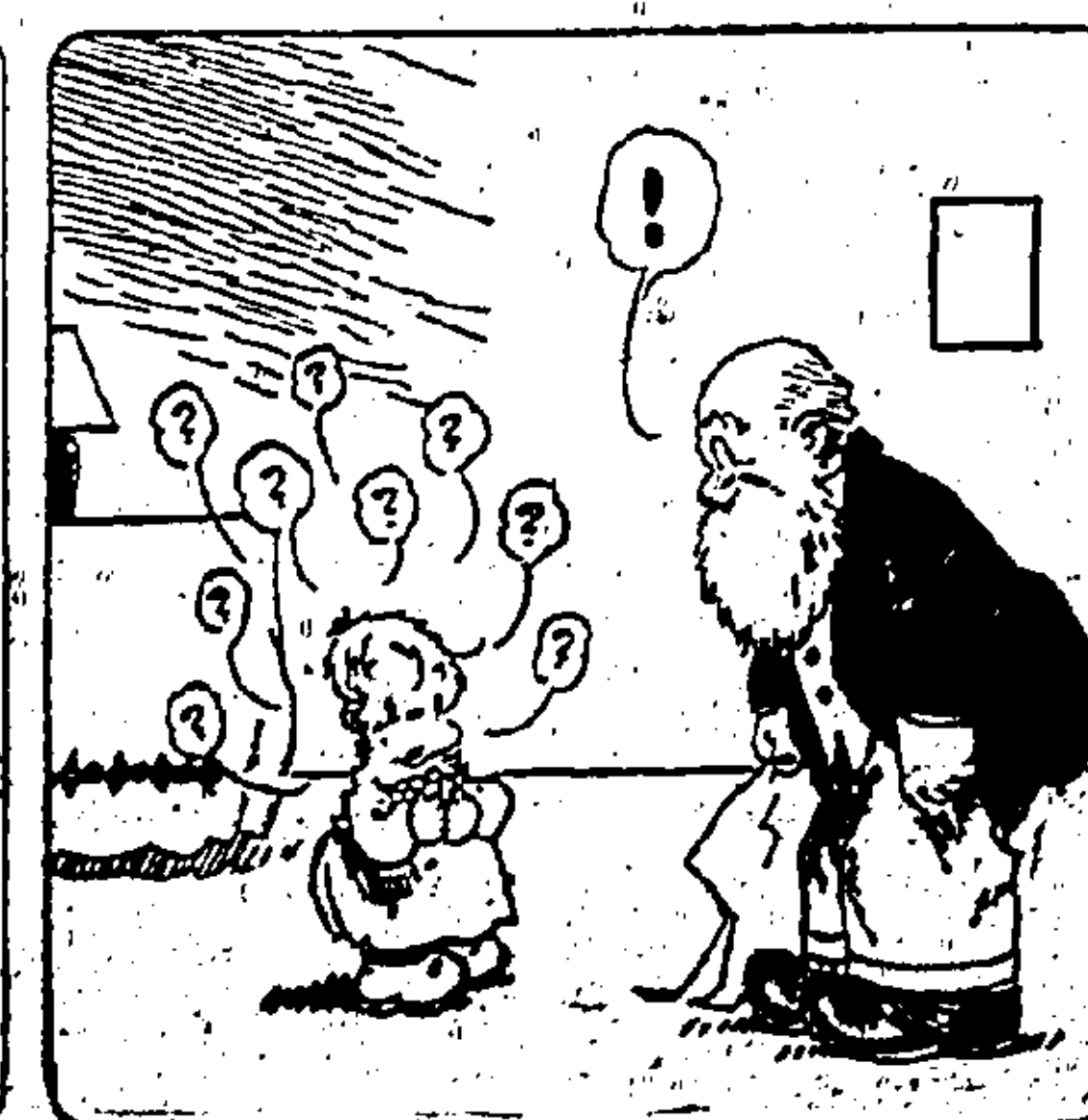
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CORRUPTION.

A case in which a Chinese visitor to the Colony was yesterday charged with offering a bribe to a constable drew from the magistrate the remark that bribery was the curse of China, and that it had prevented many public servants in that country from doing what they thought to be their duty. In extenuation, it was pleaded that the practice of offering money to influence public servants had in Canton become almost a custom. That fact, of course, could not be regarded as a sufficient reason for withholding punishment of the offence in a British colony. That bribery and corruption are still rife in Canton and other parts of China as well as scarcely needs mentioning—unhappily, it is a fact. In his recent public speech in Canton, Dr. Sun dealt with this matter at some length. He gave as the main causes of corruption among officials the fact that they were inadequately paid, the constant changes in office and the lack of anything like a pension system. Because of these facts, an official's chief aim in taking office is to get all he can by "squeeze" in the hope that before he is ousted he may acquire a sufficiency with which to retire. That, unfortunately, is the rule in official life in China to-day, and until conditions are otherwise we may look in vain for any real national progress. Purity must be the rule and corruption the exception before there can be any true advancement.

Poor pay and no provision for the future are admittedly big factors in the situation, but they do not serve wholly to explain the corruption which permeates throughout the length and breadth of the country. Better pay would no doubt attract a better type of men into Government service, but there must also be some security in office. A pension scheme would be absolutely useless in the present confused state of Chinese politics, for the simple reason that no man can count on holding office for more than a few

months at the outside. That is so because officials know that under present conditions substantial "squeeze" can be made out of the higher provincial posts, and consequently there is always a scramble for office, going on. The jobs go to the men with the biggest military backing. Here we see one of the evils of that militarism which is so rampant in China at the present time. Militarism must be killed—that is a prime necessity. But accompanying that development, and just as essential, there must arise a better type of man: one who will be willing to serve his country with no desire for personal reward or gain. Unselfishness, honesty and true patriotism—these are the needs of China to-day. We believe there are young men waiting to help China by offering such service. But we fear it will be many a long day before they will be able to dispossess those who cling so tenaciously to the illegal and ill-gotten gains of office.

The Geneva "Zone"

Those who have not been in close touch with minor political questions must be somewhat at sea with regard to the controversy between France and Switzerland over the free zone at Geneva, so an explanation here of this very interesting situation will not be out of place. At the Peace of Vienna in 1815, the Swiss canton of Geneva, consisting practically of nothing but the town itself, was given an economic "zone," as there was need for this "hinterland," as it were, for the town, lying in its constricted position between the lake and the French frontier. A second such "zone" was created by the agreement of 1850, the French making this concession partly in exchange for the union of Haute-Savoie (formerly part of the Kingdom of Sardinia) with France. Thus the French customs line was drawn in a much wider circle round Geneva than the political frontier. Both the town and the zone created have benefited considerably by this arrangement. In article 435 of the Treaty of Versailles in 1919 it was declared that the respective stipulations of the treaties of 1815 and 1850 were out of date, and that France should negotiate with Switzerland about the abolition of the Zones. The President of Switzerland at the time of the negotiations, M. Ador, agreed to this abolition, but there immediately arose considerable opposition, both in the Zones and in Geneva, and the delegates of Haute-Savoie protested in the French Chamber against the ending of the arrangement of 1850. Early in February, however, the measure was passed.

A Referendum.

The claim for a referendum on the question, for Switzerland, was at once raised in Geneva, and it was arranged that a plebiscite on the subject should be taken throughout the country a month ago. The anti-abolitionists immediately commenced a campaign of opposition, and France was held up before the Swiss public as a powerful neighbour exercising an unfair right. Apparently the Geneva agitators were prepared to ignore the fact that the French Government was proceeding to take steps granted by the Versailles Treaty and agreed to by the Swiss President in office. How much German influence has had in fostering the resentment against France can only be guessed at, but the result of the opposition campaign has been a plebiscite voting overwhelmingly against the abolition of the Zones. As the French point out, the country was not acting correctly in taking a referendum after the convention had been accepted by the Swiss Government. Now that France has sent a note to Switzerland requesting the carrying out of the terms of this convention between the two countries (signed in August, 1921) the opposition has broken out afresh. A very interesting, and even delicate, situation has now arisen. France is legally in the right, and there is nothing to prevent her exercising her rights under the treaty, but it will naturally be unpleasant for her if the Swiss agitators succeed in fanning the flame of resentment.

DAY BY DAY.

ANGER BEGINS WITH POLLY AND ENDS WITH REPENTANCE.—Pythagoras.

Two cases of small-pox and one of plague (all Chinese) were notified yesterday.

The Garrison Schools are closing from to-morrow until April 8th, for the Easter holidays.

The race for the Brown Challenge Rowing Cup is to take place in competition with the V.R.C. regatta on Easter Monday.

There was an outbreak of fire on board the N.Y.K. steamer Sado Maru late on the night of March 22nd at Shanghai, fortunately with no very serious results. The steamer arrived that morning from Calcutta with a full cargo.

Amongst the passengers who left for Home by the s.s. City of Simla yesterday were Rev. E. W. L. and Mrs. Martin, Rev. W. and Mrs. Scholes, Mrs. Black, Mrs. Carrington, Mrs. Nisbet, Mr. and Mrs. Ram, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. L. Soares, Mrs. T. E. Pearce, Mrs. Rolfe, Mr. P. D. Wilkinson and Mr. F. H. Farthing.

A fine of \$200 was inflicted by the Magistrate this morning on a Chinese contractor who failed to take proper precautions during blasting operations at Repulse Bay. It was stated that large pieces of rock were buried by the force of the explosion over some sheds into the sea. Fortunately no-one was injured.

We have received a copy of "School Dialogues," published by Mr. R. E. O. Bird, who is also the author of the major part of the work. The object of these dialogues is to teach the English language by an appeal to the very strong dramatic instinct of Chinese boys, and it is recorded that they have proved useful at the Ellis Kadoorie School.

Amongst those who will contribute to the concert by Professor Danenberg's pupils on Wednesday next will be Master Emil Charles Danenberg, who is only five and a half years old and has had two months of pianoforte tuition. He will play in six numbers, one of which will be Godowsky's Minuet, a duet in which he will be associated with his father, Professor Danenberg.

In a summons heard to-day against the Chu Yau-lan tobacco dealers, of No. 122 Wing Lok Street, for failing to mark the words "for export" on 59 packages of tobacco, totalling some 8,000 lbs., Mr. J. D. Lloyd, Superintendent of Imports and Exports, said that defendant firm was one of the largest wholesale dealers in tobacco in the Colony. It was not a case of *mule fide* and he was satisfied that the mission was due to carelessness on the part of the fobis. A fine of \$50 was imposed.

Sentence of six weeks' hard labour was this morning inflicted on a Chinese convicted of receiving and disposing of a Waltham watch belonging to Chief Engine Room Artificer Henry Smallwood, of H.M.S. Ambrose. A small boy who was implicated, turned King's evidence, and stated to the Court that the theft was instigated by the defendant, who after receiving the watch from witness, took it to the pawnbroker. A pair of glasses stolen at the same time has not been recovered.

In the presence of members of every department in the Municipal Council, including foreign members of the Fire Brigade, the memorial to those municipal employees who lost their lives in the Great War was unveiled at Shanghai on March 22nd by Mr. H. G. Simms, Chairman of the Council. The memorial consists of a beautiful white marble slab, surmounted by a tablet with the following dedication: "In honoured memory of employees of the Shanghai Municipal Council who made the supreme sacrifice during the Great War."

THE SAVING SCOT.

A Tip-Bits writer points out that 5,000 feet of wire can be drawn from an ordinary penny. It is said that the trick has never been performed in Scotland owing to a native superstition that this treatment is apt to ruin the coin.

ROUND THE TOWN.

(By "Gadabout.")

Wonder what old Tut-ankh-Amen would think if he suddenly woke up from his three thousand years' slumber and found what a fuss we're making of him. At home the newspapers are full of him and the picture papers come out with new photo's every time some fresh bit of chariot, or a box, or some other old relic gets yanked out from its resting place. The "I'll-write-to-the-Times-about-it" brigade are in their element, some of 'em going off the handle at the thought of poor old Tut getting stuck in a museum to become the target for the unseemly jests of mobs of tourists—as if Tut'll worry. Some of the Hongkong journals are beginning to fall into line, too, and in the picture pages everything connected with Tut gets a place. One picture showed "Some of the Egyptian troops who guard the wealth in the tomb of Tut-ankh-Amen." The same picture'll probably be shown in the States as "Some of the troops who will form a guard of honour to Lord Ina Highbrow when he visits Egypt," or "Some of the troops who helped to quell the recent Egyptian strike," or whatever happens to be topical at the moment. Still, the public there fork up their dimes for the dope, so it's apparently "the stuff to give 'em."

But, judging by the conversation of most of the people with whom you come in contact, the average man in the street in Hongkong doesn't spend many sleepless nights over these matters which are said to be stirring the outside world. If you meet a fellow on the ferry he never says, "How's the Tut situation this morning?" or anything like that. You either get the same old greeting that "it's a bit warmer to-day," or a remark on some other topic on which the whole Colony's as well informed as the speaker. Even the results of the English cup final, or the boat race, or the Derby don't seem to rouse anything like the same enthusiasm in people out here as they do at home. The average Hongkongite's a great deal more interested in the next show that's coming to the Theatre Royal, the Coronet's new programme, the new company prospectus, the educational problem, or something a bit closer to his front door. The little things which affect us are those which interest us most. It's the same with everything. When Royalty get married the glad tidings are cabled to every little corner of the globe, but to you it's not half as important as your own little celebration. A paragraph about some woman at Nosisburg giving birth to quadruplets doesn't interest you half as much as the fact that the young couple across the way have got twins again, and if your wife's got 'em it's more interesting still. But such is the way of the world.

The Hongkong Cricket Club haven't wasted much time in knocking down their old pavilion. The house breakers have been busy for some time and in a few days the old clubhouse'll be a thing of the past. Now the Government'll be able to carry out the much-needed road improvement at that corner and tone that "S" bend down a bit. It's been generally understood that the powers-that-be were going to straighten things out there, and a couple of days or so ago one of the papers officially confirmed it. If those who watch over us had an eye to road-users' safety in the old days Hongkong traffic must have been a great deal less than it is now when the City Hall and that pavilion were put up. But with the trams, and the taipans' and tourists' motorcars, and increasing traffic generally, that corner's been getting a pukka danger spot, and it's a wonder we've never had any serious accidents there. And, talking of dangerous corners, if the military lands scheme isn't going to come to anything and we're going to continue to use Garden Road, there's room for improvement, too, on that bend.

If the Kowloon Police have a man to spare there's a nice little job waiting for him outside the Star Theatre at the end of the performances. Two or three times as many rickshas as are needed cluster round the exits, and what with the shouting of the pullers as they try and attract possible fares, the jostling, and the general mix-up of the rickshas, it's no end of a business to force a passage and struggle through to free air the other side.

INDO-CHINA.

The New French Governor-General.

The appointment of M. Martial Merlin as Governor-General of Indo-China in succession to the late M. Maurice Long, who died recently at Colombo on returning from France, is regarded as eminently desirable from many points of view. Remembering the experience he acquired in the course of many years of administrative work in various possessions of France in Africa, it was a wise step to select him as the head of the most important dependency of our Allies. It certainly cannot be said of M. Merlin that the horizon of his colonial views is bounded by the comparatively narrow outlook of a home administrator. He brings to Indo-China, at a time when it most needs it, a high knowledge of administrative and economic problems, combined with an experience of every phase of colonial development, which should be all to the benefit of the country.

We recall that with the declaration of war in 1914, M. Merlin, who was then in French Western Africa, excited himself with vigour to remove the menace arising from the presence of the enemy in German possessions adjoining those of his country, and by his brilliant execution of military tactics of which he had wide knowledge (having been at one time in military service) reconquered that part of the Congo ceded to Germany in 1911, and also annexed the German Cameroons. Of the service thus rendered a notice appearing in the "Journal officiel de la République Française" has this to say:—

"His intelligent and sustained action not only spared the Colony of French Equatorial Africa from the cruelty of an invasion, but also his firm attitude, energy and decision have given us a definite victory against the Cameroons under the most difficult circumstances."

A clear comprehension of native psychology and a liberal regard for the welfare of the people are essential in sound colonial administration, and if M. Merlin can bring and apply to Indo-China that valuable store of experience which has stood him in good stead during his many years of sojourn in Africa, he will do much to advance the cause of a sounder economic and administrative policy towards which his deceased predecessor so keenly strove.

GOOD FRIDAY.

Oratorio Selections at the Cathedral.

The oratorio selections to be given in St. John's Cathedral at 9.15 p.m. on Good Friday, under the direction of Mr. Denman Fuller, will be sung by a selected chorus of fifty voices. They will consist of a series of choruses, trios, quartettes and duets from well-known oratorios and will be preceded by the playing of Wagner's magnificent Good Friday Music from "Parsifal."

Of actual solo work there will be very little, but amongst those helping in concerted numbers are Mrs. Clements, Mrs. Collett, Mrs. D. J. Brown, Mrs. T. L. Perkins, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Neil Mathieson, Miss Willmott, Mr. H. J. Best, Mr. H. Annis, Mr. S. Collett, Mr. W. J. Hagger and Mr. G. H. Piercy.

The programme will include two numbers for unaccompanied chorus, Sullivan's "Saviour, Thy Children Keep" and Barnby's "Crossing the Bar." These Good Friday performances of oratorio were instituted by Mr. Denman Fuller some seventeen years ago, and, with the exception of last year, have continued without a break ever since. The collection on this occasion will be for the Organ Fund.

Somebody's wanted to regulate them. Theatre-goers would appreciate it and probably the ricksha-pullers as well. Under the present push-and-shove system the puller who arrives last stands a better chance of getting a fare than the first arrival, because the late-comer is on the outside of the crush and the first knows he'll get away quickest. Couldn't they be made to queue up, like those outside the World Theatre, for instance. It's a pretty exciting performance getting away from there sometimes, but it's not absolute chaos like it is outside the Star.

CANTON NEWS.

No New Southern Government Yet.

A Canton, correspondent informs us that at a meeting held in Dr. Sun's office recently, attended by all the leading civil and military officials, consideration was given to the question of the appointments made by the Peking Government. It was decided that no Government of South China be re-organised in Canton unless the Peking Government again makes such appointments.

A circular notice has been issued by the General Chamber of Commerce to the effect that a Troop Disbandment Society has been formed and a general meeting will be held on the 31st. inst. The Chinese merchants are confused by the fact that both the Treasury and Naval Departments have issued orders stating that only the revenue stamps which they issue are valid. The receipts from this source are therefore steadily declining.

General Shum Hung-ying has declared that, even if his removal expenses are paid, he can only remove his troops to Shuibing, as there is not room for such a large force elsewhere.

JUNK BURNT OUT.

A Harbour Incident.

Fire broke out aboard the trading junk T887H at 2.30 this morning as she was lying in the Victoria anchorage off Wing Lok Street. The first flames seen shooting out from the hold were the signal for the numerous cluster of junks anchored at this place to make an instantaneous move out and give the distressed vessel a wide berth. The No. 1 fireboat was called up to no really effective purpose, as, owing to the inflammable nature of the cargo, comprising paper, tea and rice, the conflagration had secured a firm hold and there was no hope of saving the vessel. Brightly illuminating this part of the harbour, the fire burnt for two hours until the wreck turned turtle, in which position it still lies.

DARING ROBBERY.

Snatching From European Lady.

Shortly after one o'clock this afternoon, a daring robbery was witnessed in Queen's Road Central. A European lady was walking along when, near the junction of Pedder Street with Queen's Road, a Chinese came up and snatched an ornament from her. The thief was chased, but he turned into Shiu Loong Alley, leading off from Queen's Road, and made good his escape.

NO DOG LICENCE.

Young Woman Fined.

A young Chinese woman brought up before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning for keeping an unlicensed dog told the Magistrate that it wasn't hers. She was only looking after it for a friend.

His Worship:—That is your look-out. You should have a licence. You are fined \$3.

As she left the Court the defendant remarked:—"I don't want the dog. I am going to have it shot."

EASTER CRICKET.

The United Services XI, for the Easter week-end match versus Hongkong Cricket Club will be composed of the following:—Rev. W. Purcell, R. N. (Captain); Pay Lt. Commander R. D. Paffard, R. N.; Lieut. T. R. Beatty, R. N.; Lieut. A. S. Lindsell, R. N.; Captain W. G. Quinlan, R. M. L. L.; Pay Lieut. B. O. F. Gregory, R. N.; Captain E. R. S. Dodds, Grenadiers; Captain W. J. H. Howard, King's; Captain E. G. Spinks, R. A. O. C.; Captain R. E. Le Fleming, Grenadiers; Sergeant H. Cockell, R. E.

Play will commence at 11 a.m. on Saturday, 31st. instant.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Students' Services Association, (University of Hongkong) Good Friday, 1923, March 30th, 1923, at 7.30 p.m. Dr. T. W. Pearce, LL.D., will give a Lantern Lecture on "The Wondrous Cross" at the Bhenish Mission Church, Bonham Road, to be followed by Annual General Meeting—Report; accounts, election of officers, other business.

CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

The Latest Changes.

Captain A. R. McEachran, of the Suiyang, is on reserve. Captain P. R. S. Purcell, of the Luchow, has gone master, Suiyang.

Mr. O. W. Williams, second officer, Kwangse, is on reserve. Mr. E. W. Lowson has been appointed second officer, Kwangse.

Mr. D. O. Tilburn, second engineer, Chengtu, has gone acting chief engineer, Foochow.

Mr. W. G. Ramsay, chief engineer, Foochow, is on leave. Mr. R. Fox, from leave, has gone acting chief officer, Wosang.

Mr. L. McRae, chief officer, Wosang, is on reserve. Mr. H. Foot-Carey has been appointed supply second officer, Tuckwo.

Captain D. W. Ritchie, of the Mingsang, has retired. Captain H. Simpson, of the Namsang, has gone master, Mingsang.

Captain C. W. Falk, of the Chaksang, has gone master, Namsang.

Captain C. D. Nicoll, from leave, has gone master, Chaksang.

Mr. C. S. Robb has been appointed third officer, Yuensang.

Mr. J. Pittendrigh, third officer, Yuensang, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. D. A. Matheson, second officer, Yuensang, has gone second officer, Namsang.

Mr. H. R. Dowson, second officer, Namsang, is on reserve. Mr. J. Turbyne, second officer, Chaksang, has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr. A. H. Mackie, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chaksang.

Mr. V. Petherick, third officer, Chaksang, is on reserve. Mr. A. M. Henderson, third officer, Mingsang, has gone third officer, Chaksang.

Mr. W. G. Walter has been appointed third officer, Mingsang.

Mr. R. Thomson, second engineer, Tungwo, is on reserve. Mr. A. McEwan, chief engineer, Tuckwo, is on leave.

Mr. J. Stalker, from leave, has gone chief engineer, Tuckwo.

Mr. H. Craig, from reserve, has gone acting chief engineer, Wosang.

Mr. W. Crosbie, chief engineer, Wosang, is on leave. Captain F. H. Wallace, of the Haean, has retired.

Captain C. Taylor, from reserve, has gone master, Haean.

Mr. C. Skratue has been appointed second officer, Hsin Fung.

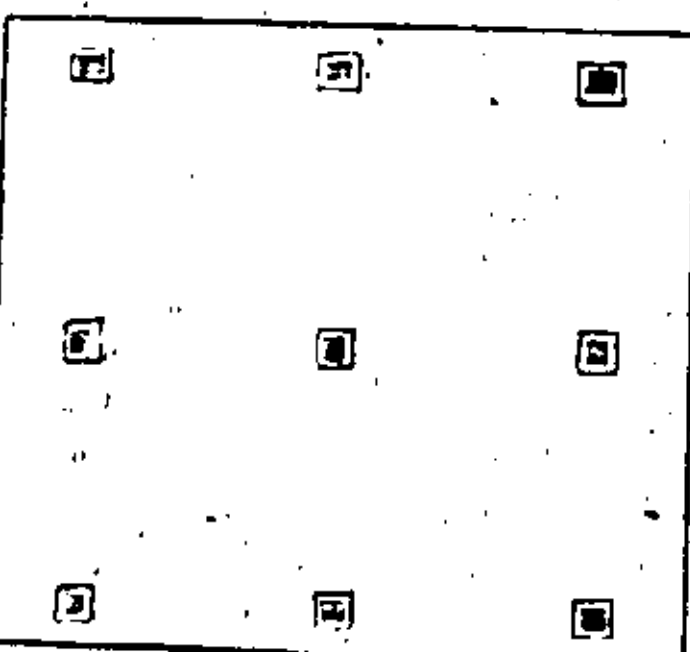
Mr. K. Anbank, second officer, Kianghsin, has gone acting chief officer, Hsin Kiangteen.

Mr. F. Krangle has been appointed second officer, Hsin Kiangteen.

Mr. A. Knox has been appointed third engineer, Hsin Kiangteen.

Mr. W. Moodie, third engineer, Hsin Kiangteen, has gone second engineer, Toonan.—Shipping and Engineering.

A PUZZLE A DAY.



Take a pencil, and starting at any one of the dots shown above, draw four straight lines, which pass through all nine dots. Each line must begin where the previous one ended; and the pencil must not be lifted from the paper during the operation.

Yesterday's answer: If the question, "What is the difference between twenty-four quart bottles, and twenty-four quart bottles?" is asked quickly, nearly everyone will answer that they're the same. The difference, however, is fifty-six quarts, as twenty-four quart bottles contain twenty-four quarts, while twenty-four quart bottles will hold eighty quarts.

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BIBLE SOCIETY.

Year's Work in Hongkong.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society is to be held at the Helena May Institute on Wednesday next. Commodore H. E. Grace, R.N., is to preside, and the speakers will be the Rev. G. H. Bondfield, D. D. (the Society's agent in China) and the Rev. G. W. Sheppard (Secretary of the Society's China Agency).

From the annual report we take the following:

Sales of Scriptures from the Depot, for the year 1922, are reported as follows:—Publications in English, 503; in Wenli Chinese, 1,308; in Cantonese 3,244; in Hakka, 16; in English and Cantonese 239; in Mandarin, 20. Scriptures in the following languages were also sold:—Russian, Hebrew, Japanese, Hindi, Spanish, Italian, Danish, Portuguese, Urdu, Malay, Punjabi and Arabic.

A total of 5,843 copies of the Society's publications inclusive of Bibles, Testaments and single books of the Bible, were thus disposed of. The total amount received on account of sales was \$1,632.95.

It should be noted that the Rev. H. E. Anderson, who left the Colony last July, has, since his arrival in England, severed his connection with the Society. The Rev. H. O. T. Burkwall Sub-agent in Canton, has temporary oversight of Bible Society operations in this Hongkong area.

This report may not omit considerations in favour of Bible work derived from the Christian occupation of China as one of the most noteworthy signs of the new time. According to the latest statistics, published in 1920, the total Protestant Christian community scattered throughout the provinces numbered 808,925 persons. Of these 366,524 were communicants. There were 12,957 Christian lay workers in the service of the Churches.

These were connected with 1,035 principal stations and 6,432 out stations. The figures are in themselves a strong plea in favour of Bible work at a time of change and movement that is shaping the destiny of the people. There has dawned a new day bright with promise to the new nation. Vision is vouchsafed of a new Heaven and a new earth, a kingdom of righteousness brought in by agency Divine. Among the channels of this agency is the Bible Society. It is the privilege of this Auxiliary to join hands with all who are seeking to keep the channel open and to render it effective to the glory of God.

LAST NIGHT'S CONCERT.

Male Voice Choir In Fine Form.

There was an enjoyable concert in the Union Church Hall, Kennedy Road, last night, when the Hongkong Male Voice Choir gave an entertainment for the benefit of the Hongkong and New Territories Evangelisation Society. The hall was full to overflowing, and the Society should benefit considerably as a result.

With Mr. S. Collett conducting, the choir opened the programme with a very fine rendering of "The Song of the Jolly Roger." Other items were "Annie Laurie," "In Absence," and the "Comrades' Song of Hope," before the interval, with, later, "Martyrs of the Arena," "Rolling Down to Rio," "Soldier, Rest," and "The Long Day Closes." On the whole, these items were well rendered, and were certainly much appreciated by the audience.

"When Evening's Twilight" and "Goodnight, Goodnight Beloved" were delightfully sung by a quartette consisting of Mrs. Collett, Mrs. Lockhart, Eng-Comdr. Hocken, and Mr. Haggard. Mrs. Collett also pleased with "A May Song," and "The Coming of a Dream." Mrs. Lockhart sang very charmingly "If I might Come to You" and "The Glory of the Sea." Mr. W. Gill also contributed most pleasingly to the programme with monologues entitled "Lasca," and "A Conger Story."

At the conclusion, the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonachie thanked those who had contributed to the evening's enjoyment, and the singing of the National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close.

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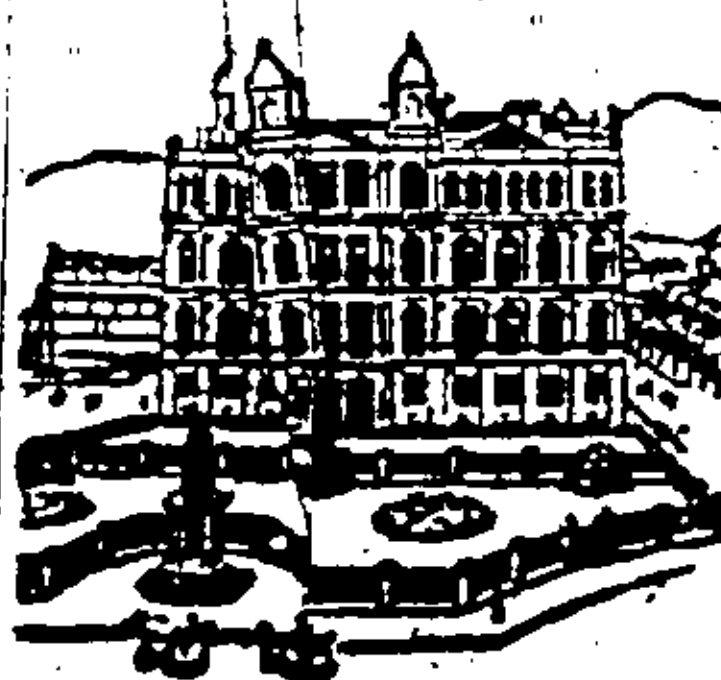
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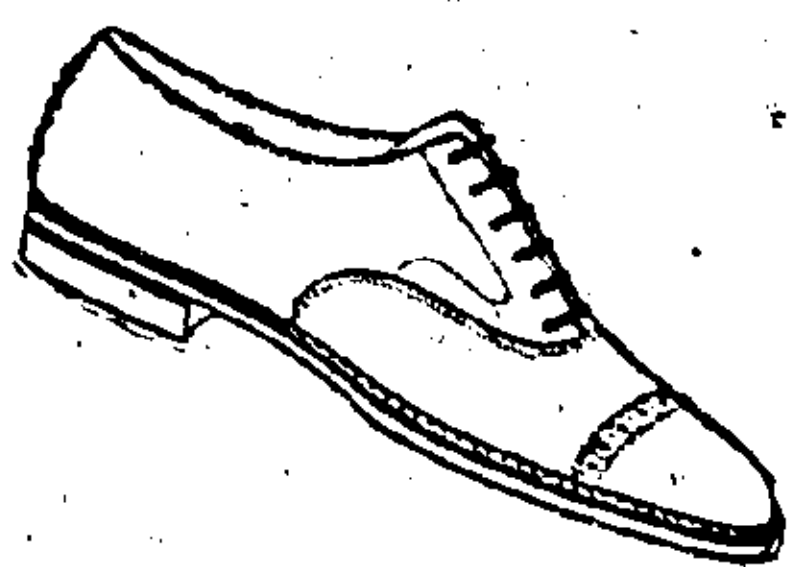
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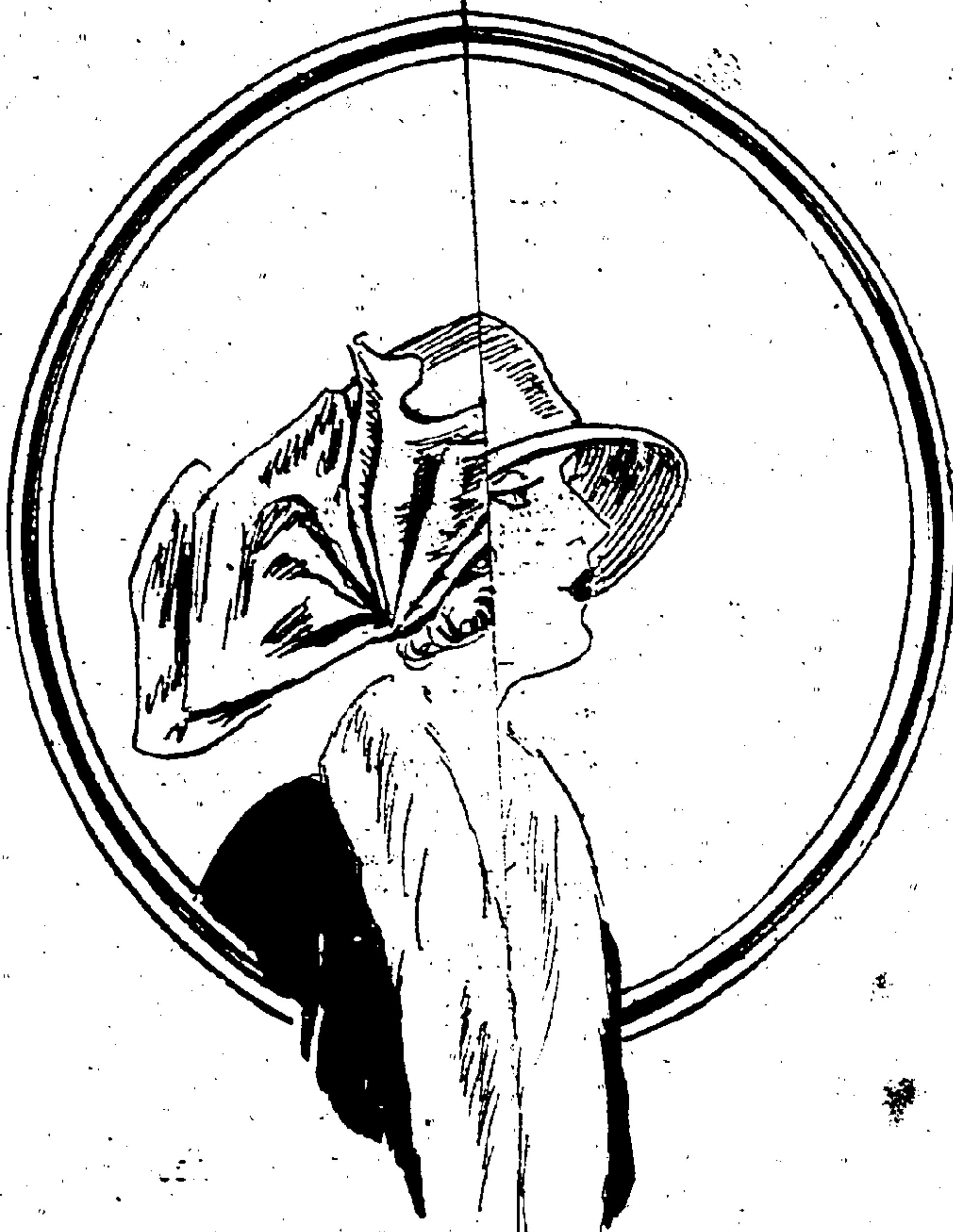
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THE FASHIONABLE
BLOUSE.

Short blouses reaching to the waist, made of tulle, de soie, toils de soie, and other thin silk materials, have chic little pockets that hang down below the hem of the blouse like wallets. These pockets are usually covered with embroidery in silver and gold thread, or with some fine silk work. Falling to the side, they give a slight shape to the waist, which is becoming to certain figures.

Blouses of the jumper style are still frequently made on the Russian plan. They fasten down the left side and have a high collar. The pointed basque finish to a blouse is also a new spring idea. The blouse is made in a fine woolen crepe, chiffon velvet, or thick crepe de Chine, and each point of the basque is finished with a wide piping; the idea may be carried still further by the addition of a tassel placed so as to hang from the tip of each point.

Scallops finish the shorter cascade jumpers round the hem, round the cuffs, and round the turn-over collar.

THIS WEEK'S RECIPE.

Fig Pig.

Required: 1/4 lb. of flour, bread crumbs, sugar, 1/2 lb. of figs, 6oz. of suet, less if shredded suet, 1 egg, 1 teaspoonful of oil, 1/2 teaspoonful of fig powder, 1/2 pint of milk, 1/2 pint of salt.

Soak the figs in boiling water for about ten minutes, drain and dry on a cloth, remove all stalks, and cut the figs into small pieces. Sieve the flour, fig powder, salt and spices a basin, add the bread crumbs, shredded suet and figs. Mix, and make a well in the centre, pour in the egg, and pour in a little of the milk. Mix, wadding the remainder of thick by degrees. Put into a greased basin, cover with greased paper, and steam for four hours. Turn out, and serve with lemon sauce or mellee.

Reports from Paris inform us that beads and rings are to be worn with those fashionable bathing suits.

ORNAMENTS FOR THE
HAIR.

The latest combs are wide, not very high, so that they sink into the coil placed at the nape of the neck, and bedecked with feathery tufts, sprays representing a peacock's tail.

Another idea is to attach the beak and head of a bird so that it spreads from end to end of the comb at the back of the head.

Tufts of feathery fronds are arranged in flat mounts that are fixed on to a band that encircles the forehead; these stick up in front and take the place of the popular diadem bandeau.

The new evening dress hair-pin is very dainty and light. Insects supply the inspiration for its form and colouring. Butterflies, dragonflies, and flies like have wings of gossamer gauze, with touches of velvet in a pale shade, and dull beads in some deep colour stitched on to the top.

A couple of quills, painted gold or silver, make another good bandeau for a woman of moderate means, who likes to have plenty of change in the matter of her hair ornaments. Arranged Nero fashion, crossed in front, they make quite an attractive splash of colour when worn with a black dress.

An ostrich feather placed at the back of the head underneath the coil, inclined slightly towards one side, is another effective decoration.

COLOURED LINGERIE.

Crepe de Chine, mousseline de soie, triple and other fine silks are among the materials employed for the new coloured lingerie, and the tones most popular are shrimp-pink, apricot, buttercup, and mauve. A touch of black as a trimming makes a smart finish.

The combinaison-jupon, which is a practical combination of petticoat and camisole, has long ago ousted the old-fashioned petticoat and slip bodice worn as separate garments. It is made on straight lines, drawn in at the waist, and has a couple of shoulder straps to hold it up, made of lace, embroidery, or ribbon.

ENGAGEMENT RINGS OF
THE FUTURE.

One's initial, or that of "himself," in pearls or diamonds, worn on a ribbon, is a dainty and personal ornament which has become so popular that its latest manifestation is in the form of initial rings.

Or diamonds and enamel set in platinum, like a tiny seal, more than one newly-engaged girl is sure to choose her fiancé's initial to wear for an engagement ring in place of the conventional half-hoop or solitaire. Possibly these novelty rings are the forerunners of a new fashion in engagement rings, when a more personal token than the present mode affords will be demanded by the up-to-date girl.

Wide sashes of satin ribbon, with ends that reach below the hem of the skirts, are worn on the new black satin and lace frocks. Nearly every gown, if it is dark in tone, is brightened by some vivid touch of colour. Jade green, coral and Alice blue are the most popular shades for these sashes.

FOR THE SPRING.



Light weight, uncoloured, crepes and light woolen plaids will be popular for suits. Many striped and figured novelty materials are shown.

White predominates, but trimmed in bright colours and combined with black.

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NOVELTIES.

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Handkerchiefs made of crepe de Chine decorated with a "batik" design are the most popular.

FASHION NOTES.

The Paisley influence, having impressed itself everywhere else in the mode has now invaded the field of veils. Some of the newest ones are in Paisley patterns, or are banded with colourful Paisley chiffon.

Not only is much figured silk being made up into costumes, but it is used extensively as trimming for plain costumes of crepe de Chine or pongee. It is also a favourite material with milliners.

MEDIUM LENGTH SKIS.



Afternoon dresses are seven to nine inches from the floor. Skirts, nine to ten; evening, three to six. The interesting thing is that the more expensive and exclusive shops are showing daytime clothes all shorter, while evening clothes remain very long.



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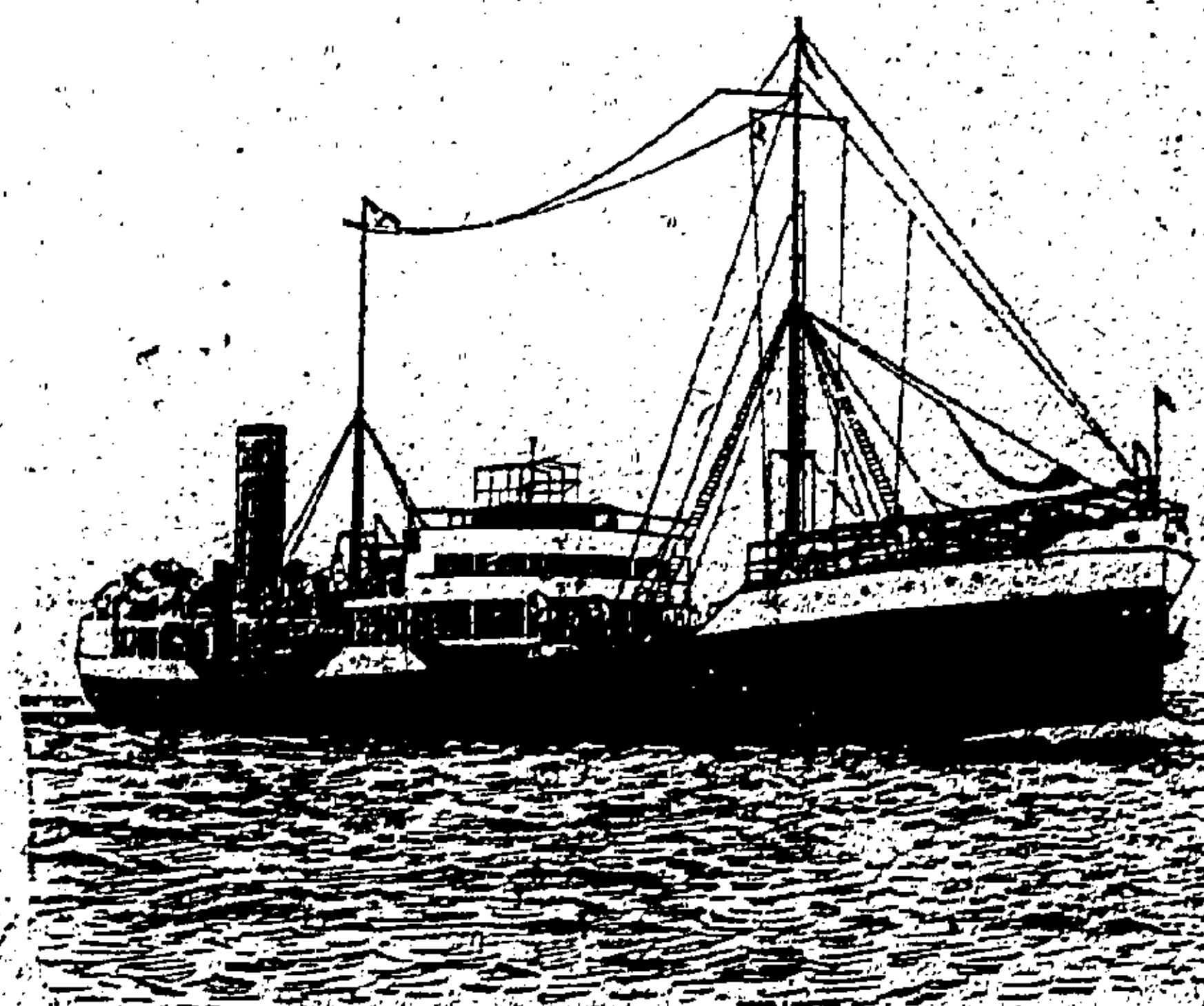
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NANKIN	7,058	18th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp
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JAPAN	6,000	13th Apr.	Singapore, Penang, Calcutta

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TIENSIN	Cheongshing	Sat. 31st Mar. at noon.
STRAITS, C'ha via Amoy Kwaisang	Sat. 31st Mar. at noon.	
BANGKOK via Swatow Chaksang	Tues. 3rd Apr. at noon.	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Wingsang	Wed. 4th Apr. at noon.	
KOBE via Shanghai	Wed. 4th Apr. at noon.	
SAIGON	Mansang	Wed. 4th Apr. at 5 p.m.
SHANGHAI via Swatow Taisang	Fri. 6th Apr. at noon.	
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KOBE	Namsang	Fri. 20th Apr. at noon.
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE

The Steamship

"PRESIDENT MCKINLEY"

having arrived from Seattle on March 25th, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and Extra-Hazardous Godowns of The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., at Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 9 a.m. on April 3rd, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after April 3rd, 4 p.m. will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately. United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corporation, ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE, 4, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, 25th March 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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From NEW YORK & BOSTON

Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 27th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd. prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 12th. prox. or they will not be recognized. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd. prox. at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs Goddard and Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Agents.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1923.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE.

The Steamship

"PRESIDENT MADISON,"

having arrived from Manila via ports, on March, 21st, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the Hazardous and/or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., at Kowloon & stored at consignees' risk.

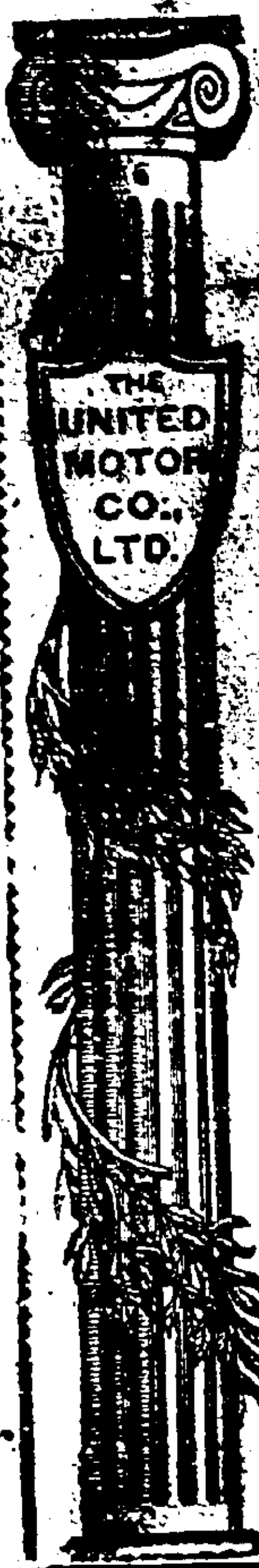
Consignees of cargo must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on Mar. 22th, by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Mar. 28th, will be subject to rent. No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately. United States Shipping Board, Emergency Fleet Corporation, ADMIRAL ORIENTAL LINE, 4, Des Voeux Road, Hongkong, March 24th, 1923.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the above named Company is issuing a Prospectus dated the 23rd day of March, 1923, a copy of which has been filed with the Registrar of Companies, inviting subscriptions at par for 70,000 shares of \$10 each payable as to \$2.50 per share on application and to the balance on subsequent demand as and when further capital is required.

The subscription list is now open and will be closed on or before the 31st day of March, 1923. Copies of the prospectus and forms of Application can be obtained from the Company's Bankers, the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and from the temporary offices of the Company in Powell's Building, (Second floor), Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.

This Notice is not to be regarded as an invitation to the public to subscribe for shares and application will only be received on the footing of the full prospectus and in the form issued therewith.

Dated the 24th day of March, 1923.

T. A. BARRY,
 Powell's Building,
 Hongkong,
 Secretary Pro tem.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

Matriculation and Senior Local Examinations June 1923.

The above Examination will be held in the week commencing MONDAY, June 11th, 1923.

Entry Forms together with the statutory fee of \$15. H.K. Currency should reach me not later than April 1st.

No Scholarships will be awarded at this Examination.

Copies of old Examination Papers, including those set in November 1922, can be obtained from my office, price \$1. per set.

N. TEESDALE MACKINTOSH,
 Registrar.
 Hongkong, 26th March 1923.

NOTICE.
GOVERNMENT OF MACAU.
HOTEL CASINO.

THE Government of Macau will receive proposals for the exclusive erection and operation of a Hotel Casino with a minimum of 200 rooms to be built on Government land, and to be open for business before 1926.

The proposals should state the minimum expenses to the Macau Government and should be delivered to the Director of Finance on or before the 20th April next.

ANTONIO MARIA DE MEIRELES e VASCONCELOS,
 Director of Finance.
 Macau, 10th March 1923.

NOTICE.
GOVERNMENT OF MACAU.
TELEPHONE SERVICE.

THE Government of Macau will receive proposals for the exclusive operation of a public telephone service in the City and connecting with Hongkong and Macau. The proposals should be delivered to the Director of Finance.

ANTONIO MARIA DE MEIRELES e VASCONCELOS,
 Director of Finance.
 Macau 10th March 1923.

NOTICE.
WILL FOREIGN COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS seeking trade connections, samples and information, kindly communicate with P.O. Box 643.

TYPE-SETTING IMPROVEMENTS.

Paris: A French engineer claims to have invented a new machine for setting type which is a great improvement and simplification of present machines. The new machine has far fewer parts and can be handled by a child, according to a statement by the inventor. A special device attached allows wireless copy to be received direct on the machine.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

While waiting for her breakfast a nine-year-old Woolwich girl began playing with a full-sized dinner fork. She put the fork, handle first, into her mouth, and accidentally swallowed it. She was taken to the Miller Hospital, where the fork was located by X-rays. The resident medical officer, performed an operation and took the fork (which was 7 1/2 in. long) from the stomach. The girl recovered.

The premier honour of the astronomical world, the Gold Medal of the Royal Astronomical Society, has once again gone to an American astronomer, and at a recent meeting of the society it was presented to Professor A. A. Michelson, of the University of Chicago. It was an experiment carried out nearly 40 years ago by Professor Michelson, devised to detect the earth's motion through the ether, which led Einstein to formulate his revolutionary theory of Relativity, and since then he has made many notable contributions to the science of astronomy. By means of his "interferometer," attached to the great telescope of Mount Wilson Observatory, the distances apart of double stars hitherto inseparable by direct telescopic observation have been measured, and the actual diameters of stars which show no measurable disc in the biggest telescope have also been determined by his method. As thus measured, the diameter of the star Betelgeux comes out at 215,000,000 miles, or 240 times that of the sun!

What to do to suppress the "tango pirate" is a problem occupying the attention of the Argentine Society of Authors and Composers. The society estimates that six or seven new tangos make their appearance every week, and that some 80,000 copies are sold in the same period, but it finds that in consequence of inadequate copyright legislation, the pirating of the music is so rife that probably not more than 5,000 of this total are legitimate copies returning royalty to their authors.

Little success has been had by agents of the society in their efforts to have the stolen music confiscated or the pirates prosecuted, and now it wants the authorities to do something about it. Fears are expressed that unless the copyright laws are amended and enforced, tango writing will become a lost art for lack of reward.

A steel rod over a foot long sprang from a machine and transfixed a man named Robert Fenton, while he was working at the Singer Sewing Machine Factory at Kilbowie, near Glasgow, and passed right through his abdomen. With the rod projecting four inches from his body both at the back and at the front, he was hurried to hospital to be operated on. The surgeons were surprised to find that his vital organs had miraculously escaped injury. One of them extracted the rod by pulling on it with both his hands. A similar accident occurred at a suite of new offices in Kingsway in March 1921, when a long rod, half an inch in diameter, fell down a lift shaft, pierced the body of a workman through the shoulder, back, and part of a leg, and pinned him to the ground. The man recovered.

Another link with Queen Victoria and with the early days of the circus has been severed with the death of Madam Saroni, at the great age of ninety-one. She had been connected with the sawdust ring for fully seventy-five years, and it was only at the beginning of this year that she retired. Madam Saroni could do anything and everything in the circus, and when she became too old for tight-rope walking and bare-back riding she acted as wardrobe mistress. Her resemblance in later years to Queen Victoria was remarkable, and when she and her husband, the musical clown, once appeared at a command performance at Windsor Castle, the likeness caused some slight embarrassment. The Duke of Connaught was so interested in the resemblance that he asked for her to be presented to him. A woman of remarkable energy and force of character, she was a Cockney born, and in private life was Mrs. Rosina Short.

EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 1.)

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Hongkong, March 28, 1923.		

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.

On Good Friday, the 30th March, Saturday, 31st March, and Easter Monday, the 2nd April, the G.P.O. and the Branch Post Offices will be open as follows:—
 The G.P.O. and Kowloon Branch Office: 8 to 9 a.m. only.
 Wanchai, Saiyung, and Yau-mat Branches: 8 to 9 a.m. & 5.30 to 6 p.m.
 Sheungwan Branch Office: 8 to 9 a.m. & 5.30 to 6 p.m.
 The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays. There will be no collection from the pillar boxes and no delivery of ordinary correspondence each day as on Sunday and one delivery of registered correspondence at 9 a.m. There will be one delivery from the Branch Offices each day at noon.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Japan	Awa M.	23th Mar
Saigon	P. Lecat	23th
Shanghai	Kanchow	23th
Shanghai	Soudan	23th
Europe via Suez, (Letters & Papers)		
London 1st March.		31st
Japan	Saitan	31th
Japan	Tokushima M.	31th
Japan	Tanda	1st April
Manila	Pres. McKinley	2nd

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Due
Swatow, Amoy & Takao	Soshu M.	Thurs. 29 inst. 8 a.m.
Shanghai & Japan	Paul Lecat	Thurs. 29 inst. 9.40 a.m.
Takao	Macassar M.	Thurs. 29 inst. 11 a.m.
Straits Ceylon Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa India via Dhanakholi, Aden, Egypt & Brindisi		
Shanghai & Japan	P. Lecat	Thurs. 29 inst. 9.30 a.m.
Philippine Islands	Loongsang	Thurs. 29 inst. 2 p.m.
Saigon	Pong Tong	Thurs. 29 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Batavia	Byrui M.	Thurs. 29 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Takao	Gourabaya M.	Thurs. 29 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Havara M.	Thurs. 29 inst. 2.30 p.m.
Amoy & Japan	Takada	Thurs. 29 inst. 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Manchester Castle	Thurs. 29 inst. 5 p.m.
Straits Ceylon Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa India via Dhanakholi, Bombay & Aden		
Batavia, Amoy & Sourabaya	Soudan	Thurs. 29 inst. 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Kowloon	Bandung M.	Fri. 30 inst. 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Haitong	Fri. 30 inst. 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Sinkiang	Fri. 30 inst. 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Takada	Fri. 30 inst. 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Kowloon	Takawa M.	Fri. 30 inst. 9 a.m.

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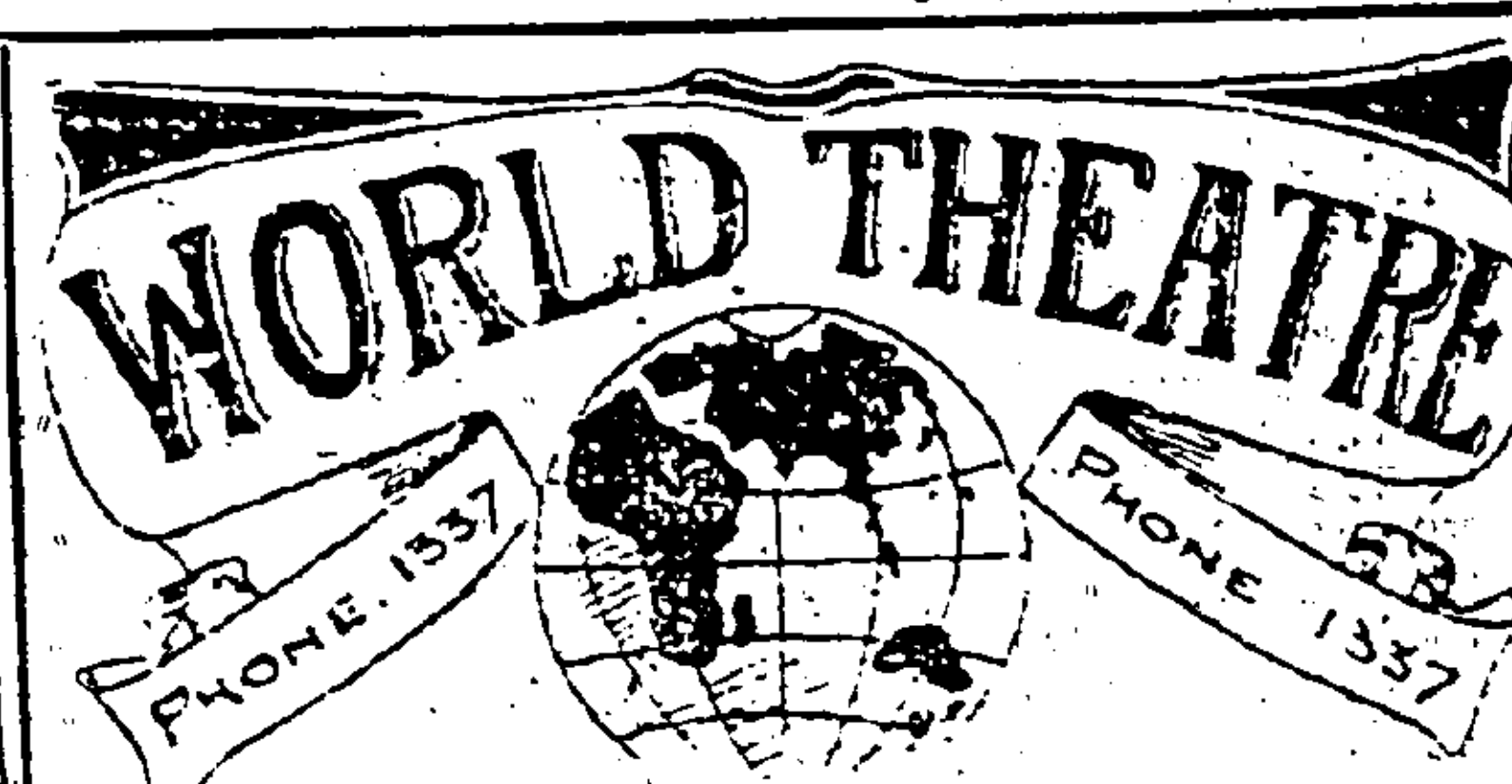
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March 28d. 12h. 35m.—Pressure has increased considerably at Guam, moderately at Vladivostok and Shanghai, and slightly over Tongking; slight to moderate decreases are general elsewhere. Depressions are shown to the north of Hokkaido and over Annam. The typhoon is situated about 300 miles to the W.N.W. of Guam, probably moving on a N.W. or W.N.W. track.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day. 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st. 118 inches, against an average of 5.75 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel
 2 South coast of China, between H.K. & Lamocks, for variable winds;
 3 Hongkong, fine
 4 South coast of China, between H.K. & Hainan, generally

I. F. CLAXTON, Director.
 I.F. Observatory, Mar. 28, 1923.

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